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RAY WEBSTER, REPORTER FOR THE FOST DISPATCH IN THE FEDERAL BUILDING,
SAINT LOUIS, WHO HAS ALWAYS EEEN VERY FRIENDLY TO THE SAINT LOUIS OFFICE,
CALLED UPON ME TODAY WITH A MEMORANDUM SUBMITTED BY JOSEPH
PULITZER, PUBLISHER, ST. LOUIS POST DISPATCH, TO MR. REESE, THE
MANAGING EDITOR OF THE POST DISPATCH, WHO IN TURN SUBMITTED IT TO

MR. CROWLEY, CITY EDITOR, WHO IN TURN REFERRED IT TO RAY WEESTER, WHO THEREAFTER BROUGHT IT TO THIS OFFICE. IS IS QUOTED AS FOLLOWS - QUOTE LINCOLN HOCKADAY SUGGESTS, AND I THINK THE SUGGESTION HAS REAL MERIT, THAT IN ORDER TO CLEAR UP WHATEVER CONFUSION THE STAR MAY HAVE CAUSED BY ITS QUESTIONING THE INTEGRITY OF OUR JOURNALISTIC POSITION IN PUBLISHING THE JAP NEGRO STORY, WE ASK THE FBI TO GIVE US A VERY BRIEF STATEMENT ALONG THIS LINE -"I AM HAPPY TO SAY FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE PUBLIC THAT THE FBI IS UNDER OBLIGATIONS TO THE EDITORIAL STAFF OF THE ST. LOUIS POST DISPATCH FOR THE VERY GREAT ASSISTANCE UHICH THIS STAFF CONTRIBUTED TO OUR INVESTIGATION OF FIFTH COLUMN ACT RECORDED 94-8 THE JAPANESE IN ST. LOUIS. THE POST DISPAT US IN THIS AS IN MANY OTHER INVESTIGATIONS WITHMOREAD Intelligence, Zeal and persistence and in those ingham CONTRIBUTED A HIGHLY IMPORTANT PIECE OF EVIDENCE, THE

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OF THE JAP LEADER OF THE CONSPIRACY, AND OTHER PIECES OF EVIDENCE WHICH AT THIS TIME SHOULD NOT BE AND WILL NOT BE DISCLOSED. WE CONSIDER THAT, BY ITS EXPOSURE OF THE FACTS IN ITS PUBLICATIONS OF FEBRUARY FIFTH AND SIXTH, THE POST DISPATCH RENDERED THE COUNTRY A VERY REAL PUBLIC SERVICE." IF THEY WONT SAY ALL OF THIS, PERHAPS THEY WILL SAY SOME OF IT. IT WOULD BE BEST TO HAVE THE STATEMENT COME FROM HOOVER PERSONALLY. IF HE CANT SAY IT, PH POSSIBLY ATTORNEY GENERAL BIDDLE WILL. OF THEM WILL SAY IT AND IF, AS I PRESUME, THEY BROADCAST OUR PHOTOGRAPH IN POST OFFICES, ETC., AS A POLICE CIRCULAR, COULD WE NOT VERY PROPERLY REPRODUCE THIS CIRCULAR AND LET THE FACTS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. INDEED, IF UE GET THE STATEMENT AND THERE IS SUCH A CIRCULAR IT WOL WOULD BE FINE TO PRINT BOTH. MR. KRAMER OF THE BUREAU DISCUSSED THIS SITUATION WITH ME BY TELEPHONE A FEW DAYS AGO. ALL THREE PAPERS HAD PROMISED NOT TO PRINT INFORMATION THEY HAD GATHERED BY INVESTIGATION REGARDING THE ACTIVITIES OF THEAPACIFIC MOVEMENT OF THE EASTERN WORLD. HOWEVER, WHEN THE POST DISPATCH LEARNED THAT THE STAR TIMES HAD ALSO OBTAINED THE INFORMATION THEY DECIDED AGAINST WITHHOLDING .

PUBLICATION, AND CALLED ME AND ADVISED ME. OF THIS FACT.

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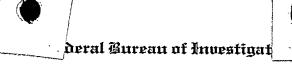
HAS BEEN NO INDICATION THUS FAR THAT THE PUBLICITY IN THIS CASE HAS IN ANY WAY INJURED THE INVESTIGATION. AS A MATTER OF FACT, THE STAR TIMES AND THE POST DISPATCH HAVE CONTRIBUTED WHATEVER INFORMATION THEY RECEIVED BY THEIR INVESTIGATION, TO THIS OFFICE. THE POST DISPATCH WAS THE FIRST TO PRODUCE THE PHOTOGRAPH OF THE PROSPECTIVE SUBJECTS NAMELY DR. ASHIMA TAKIS AND MINITIANG. NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS RELATING TO THE CONTROVERSY BETWEEN THE STAR TIMES AND THE POST DISPATCH HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE BUREAU. I HAVE ADVISED RAY WEBSTER NO ACTION COULD BE TAKEN BY ME IN CONNECTION WITH THE ADOVE MATTER, AND HE STATED HE HAD ANTICIPATED THIS ACTION ON MY PART, AND HAD TOLD HIS EMPLOYERS THAT THIS WOULD PROBABLY BE MY REPLY, AND THAT I WOULD ADVISE HIM THAT IT WAS NECESSARY TO SUBMIT SUCH A REQUEST TO THE BUREAU. AFTER THE BUREAU HAS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE CLIPPINGS SUBMITTED, IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUGGESTED THAT THIS OFFICE BE ADVISED RELATING TO THE ABOVE REQUEST.

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United States Department of Instice

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New York, N. Y. April 22. 1942.

Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington. D. C.

Dear Sir:

Alvin Goldstein, the New York City representative of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, with whom I am slightly acquainted, telephoned and advised me that Mr. Joseph Fulitzer, the publisher of the Post-Dispatch, had requested that he prepare a series of stories, four or five, which would deal with the FBI success in espionage cases. Mr. Goldstein wanted to know if any material might be available on this subject and whom he should contact in Washington in order to get it since he would want material on a national basis. I told him that I would suggest that he speak with Mr. L. B. Nichols of the Bureau which he indicated he would do.

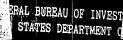
Very truly yours,

P. E. FOXWORTH Assistant Director.

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MARCH 10, 1942

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

94-8-3/-3/ Transmit the following message to: SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE ST. LOUIS, WISSOURI

REFERENCE YOUR TELETYPE MARCH NINE CONCERNING REQUEST RAY VEBSTER REPORTER FOR THE POST DISPATCH FOR STATEMENT IN CONTROVERSY ELISTING BETWEEN POST DISPATCH AND SAINT LOUIS STAR TIMES. THE BUREAU GANHOT UNDER ANY GIRCUMSTANCES' GIVE SUCH A STATEMENT AS REQUESTED. THE FACT THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO INJURY TO THE BUREAUS CASE AS A RESULT OF PUBLICITY BY THE POST DISPATCH DOES NOT MAKE ANY VARIANCE FROM THE BUREAUS POLICY PARTICULARLY SINCE THERE IS NO PRESENT INDICATION THAT THE PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITS CONTRIBUTED BY THE POST DISPATCH IS OF ANY VALUE TO GUR INVESTIGATION. THE BUREAU MUST NOT BE INJECTED INTO ANY ARGUNENT BETWEEN THE POST DISPATCH AND THE STAR TIMES OVER JOURNALISTIC ETHICS SINCE IT IS APPARENT THE POST DISPATCH DROKE ITS FAITH TO PREVENT BEING SCOOPED BY THE STAR TIMES. YOU SMOULD ADVISE WEBSTER THAT THE STATEMENT HE REQUESTED COULD NOT BE GIVEN UNDER A POLICY OF LONG STANDING OF THE BUREAUS TO THE EFFECT THAT WE CAMNOT COMMENT UPON PENDING INVESTIGATIVE WATTERS.

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St. Louis, Missouri St. Louis Post-Dispatch April 20, 1942

THE FBI GIVES DIES THE LIE.

The FBI has made an investigation of nine employes of the Board of Economic Warfare who were accused three weeks ago of "subversive connections" by Representative Dies. All nine, including one man, C. Hartley Grattan, who resigned because of the Texan's extremely serious charge, have been cleared.

This incident offers a crystal-clear example of the harm Representative Dies does by his wild and irresponsible charges. First, his accusation was echoed all over Europe and South America by Axis radio to prove that Washington is a nest of crackpots and dangerous radicals. Incalculable harm to American prestige may have resulted.

Second, an important Government agency has been deprived of a valuable employe. Third, Americans who have not yet caught on to Dies' unscrupulous efforts to get personal publicity through fantastic accusations may have had their confidence in our Government seriously shaken.

This follows the usual pattern of Dies "exposes"—a wild and ridiculous accusation of some innocent person which makes headlines, followed by later repudiation, which often escapes public notice.

Dies now has his hand out for more money from Congress to continue his witch-hunting career. He should be cut off without a cent.

Mr. B. H. Reese Managing Editor St. Louis Post-Dispatch

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United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 10, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: Alvin H. Goldstein St. Louis Post Dispatch Mr. Coffey Mr. McGuire Mr. Harbo Mr. Quinn Temm

Mr. Alvin Goldstein, Post Dispatch Bureau, Room 2401, 521 Fifth Avenue, New York City, telephone Mohawk 4-5237, residence 545 West End Avenue, telephone Trafalgar. 7-8525, called at the Bureau pursuant with previous arrangements to secure material for a series of articles. For record purposes prior to Goldstein's arrival I had mentioned the project to Mr. Gilford who approved the idea.

General background material was furnished to Goldstein on the following cases:

- Ducase, with particular emphasis on Edward Heine and Lilly Stein.
- 2. Case involving George Bodenschatz.
- Case involving Carl Borchardt and the Ludwig case.
- William Etzel and material pertaining to sabotage.

It is Goldstein's idea to write these up along the line of mystery stories, showing first facts of the individuals involved and then developing the resources of the FBI in bringing them to justice.

For record purposes Goldstein is on assignment on the specific instructions of Pulitzer, the publisher of the St. Louis Post Dispatch.

I found Goldstein an energetic individual who appeared to be very conscientious and an ardent admirer of the Bureau. furnished him with various materials and information pertaining to our work will be forwarded to him in New York City. His article will be cleared in the Bureau prior to publication.

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Respectfully,

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER



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United States Department of Instice Washington, D. C.

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May 1, 1942

Dictated: 3:30 .PM MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NICHOLS

Re: Alvin H. Goldstein,
Newark Representative of
St. Louis Post Dispatch,
St. Louis, Missouri

PRIOR CONTACTS WITH GOLDSTEIN:

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ledd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Coffoy
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Rosinre
Mr. Rosinre
Mr. Rosinre
Mr. Nesse
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In June, 1938, Alvin H. Goldstein contacted Mr. E. A. Tamm and stated that the St. Louis Post Dispatch wished to publish a two-page article concerning the accomplishments of the FBI during the Director's administration. The article he published covered two complete pages of the St. Louis Post Dispatch of Sunday, June 19, 1938. The front page carried a twelve by six inches picture of the Director shooting a Thompson sub-machine gun. The entire lower half of the second page was devoted to pictures of the Director taken at different times during his life. The article is well-written.

In July, 1938, he spoke with Mr. Forworth at New York City in connection with the Mattson Kidnapper and wanted information concerning how the drawing of the kidnapper had been prepared and how the artist had secured his information. There is no indication he was ever given this information.

In May, 1940, he contacted the New York Field Division requesting a number of pictures concerning the FBI. No cooperation was given him due to the attitude of his newspaper as expressed in an editorial in the March 1, 1940, issue of the Post Dispatch.

Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy of the Newark Field Division advises that Goldstein is the Newark representative of the St. Louis Post Dispatch. Mr. Conroy remembers Mr. Goldstein during the time Mr. Conroy served in Missouri several years ago. Mr. Conroy states that Mr. Goldstein has been very friendly with the Bureau although there was some difficulty with him during the Davis kidnapping case. This was attributed to his editor and a tip-off by Colonel Casteel, then Superitendent of the Missouri State Police. However, Mr. Conroy states our

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Memorandum for Mr. Nichols

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relationship with him since then has been very satisfactory. Conroy speaks highly of him.

RELATIONS WITH ST. LOUIS POST DISPATCH:

Our relations with this newspaper date back to August, 1933, and were on a very friendly basis. Several editorials were printed in the newspaper commending the work of the FBI. In 1937 a special tour was afforded Ralph Pulitzer, the owner of the Post Dispatch, and at that time he indicated a marked interest in the Director and the Bureau.

However, the March 1, 1940, issue of the Post Dispatch carried an editorial entitled "J. Edgar Hoover's Fishy Activities." This article was written in conjunction with Senator Norris' attack on the Bureau. It pictures the Director in a very unfavorable light and intimates that he is using the FBI to push himself into the public light. It concludes by saying that Congress should turn an investigative light on the FBI and its publicity mad chief. The result was that on April 3, 1940, all individuals connected with this newspaper were taken off our mailing list by the Director's authority.

On June 26, 1941, G-2 reported that Julius Klyman who is on the editorial staff, is a member of the Communist Party, as is Elwood Douglas, who is a reporter and a member of the editorial staff.

On July 1, 1941, they published an editorial concerning the Ducase which was favorable to the Bureau. No acknowledgement was made. Daniel R. Fitzpatrick has drawn several cartoons which are very favorable to the Bureau. He presented the originals to the Director.

On December 1, 1941, they asked the Attorney General why the pictures relating to the Ducase were released only to Life Magazine. Mr. Gilfond was advised by Mr. Nichols that this was the first information the Bureau had that the Post Dispatch was interested in such pictures and that Life Magazine was the only one who had asked for such pictures.

In January, 1942, they published an editorial regarding the alien roundup which was favorable. No acknowledgement was made.

Memorandum for Mr. Nichols

May 1, 1942

In February, 1942, B. H. Reese, Managing Editor called at the St. Louis Field Division and offered his personal assistance and the assistance of the newspaper to the Bureau. It will be noted that the newspaper recently was of assistance in killing the alleged "Missouri Gestapo," a vigilante group. Editorially its position was favorable to the Bureau.

In March, 1942, the newspaper sought a statement from the Director to the effect that the FBI is under obligation to the editorial staff of the St. Louis Post Dispatch for the assistance which this staff contributed to the Bureau's investigation of the fifth column Japanese in St. Louis, and that the Post Dispatch by its exposures has rendered the country a valuable public service. Special Agent in Charge Norris advised that the Post Dispatch had contributed the result of their investigations to the Bureau and had produced a photograph of two Japanese subjects. This appears to be an argument between the Post Dispatch and the Star Times of St. Louis, and the Post broke its faith with the Bureau and released publicity on the case to prevent being scooped by the Star Times. Apparently the publicity did not harm the case. The statement was denied to the Post Dispatch.

Very truly yours,

J. J. McGuire

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR



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United States Department of Iustice Washington, D. C.

May 27, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

For record purposes, there are attached hereto copies of the articles which were approved by Messrs. Ladd, Tamm, and the writer for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. The four articles approved are as follows:

- George Carl Bodenschatz 1.
- All-over story on the pucase. 2.
- Story on Edmund C. Heine
- Story on the Ludwig Case

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The story on the Etzel Sabotage Case was disapproved and I told Goldstein over the phone we could not approve it. understands the reasons and was not particularly proud of the story himself. I returned the original of that manuscript to him together with a memorandum on of the Ducase.

Goldstein was also furnished with some photographs to illustrate the stories which, generally speaking, are very good.

Respectfully,

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Mr. Tolson Mr. E. A. Tamm_ Mr. Clegg Mr. Ladd Mr. Nichols Mr. Rosen Mr. Hendon Mr. Holloman Mr. McGuire Mr. Quinn Tamm Tele, Room

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Dear Loui

Here is the second spasm, the Bodenschatz story. I hope it fulfill's your expectations, but right now you have me scared to death because I haven't heard from you on the Ludwig-Robert effort.

As to art, you know what I want -- everything I can get. Particularly some pictures mentioned in the memo showing Mrs. B. with the Nazi notables, E photos (two) showing similiarly between Gaertner's typing and the corrections on Mrs. B's manuscripts; photos of Mrs. B. Mr. B. and if possible Gaertner.

Well, it doesn't hurt to ask, does it? Hope you feel better soon. Take it easy but don't let any investigations tasker stand in the way of important Post Dispatol business.

Yours,

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The problem confronting FBI investigators then was to determine and expressing an opinion to which eitisen is entitled or whether, instead of below small fry, she was a description of trusted agent of the forms severaged working under direction of another nation in violation of emisting laws. The leng are of the Federal Bureau of Investigation stretched from Lawisville to the Francisco where an enemy alien, formerly connected with the German Consulate, was taken the custody.

that in a few days he would receive copies of a small parefect, prepared with my collaboration for distribution. There was also less alien to Mrs. Bodenschats acknowleding receipt of the manual attention.

It was recalled that the Louisville journalist had received his pritical lets on the stationary of the Mirtschaftspolitische Coselladare was throughout world as WPG, a division of the Maxi Ministry of Propaganda and Miltschafts was throughout taken. Dr. Goobbels, with "educational work in fereign countries" its official abjective. It published propaganda seconds in English and other languages for inless in Margarete Gastiner was Mirester of the English.

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From others who had have in Germany from loyal naturalized German citizens, the FBI continued to gather irrefutable evidence that Mrs. Bodenschatz was working under the direction of a foreign power; that her visits to Germany were prepaid by the Masi Government and—mere important—that the cost of printing her pamplets was borne by Germany when that nation elected to distribute them. In the natural erde of things, it was determined, the printing cost was charged to the Bodenschatz leather manufacturing firm, which in turn charged them off on income tax returns as "advertisic costs." Thus, in effect, Uncle Sam bore the cost of the Masi propaganda.

Lest the value of the work of Bodenschatz should be lost in the blazing glory of wife's achievements, his the FBI recovered the following letter she sent him from Germany:

The Secretary of State said Germany has much tothank the family of Bodenschats for what Karl has done here and for what I have done in the States and I said: Twell, that is very nice indeed but I could not do what I do if my husband did not encourage and endorse what I am doing as the work is not easy? to which he agreed.

When war drew near to the United States, Viela Bodenschatz ceased much of her outward activity, but when France fell she gave a "Victory Binner" for friends; she financial and Frederick Ernst Autagan, both of whom continued contributions to the cause of Ralph Townsend, and recently pleaded guilty to

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Ready now to preve that Mrs. Bodenschats and her propagation immeasurably—were immeasurably—were singing lyrics written to a Nasi written tune, the FBI analyzed pamplets direct from Germany on subjects treated by the propagandist and were able to show that her writing were merely revisions of Goebbels own phrases. To cap the climate the Federal agents confiscated manuscripts she had sent to the printing firm for publication in pamphlet form.

visions typed on 😭 pages turned out From Mrs. Bodenschaffs is it was scientifically established in had been the laboratory of the Federal Bureau at Washington, the same machine that was used FROM BL Margarete Gaertner's correspondence to her agents in the United States. There meed be little wonder then in learning that after they heard the evidence against them, Viola and George Bodenschatz last month changed pleas of not guilty to guilty and accepted concurrent sentences of five years fines totaling \$4000, for violation to two counts of an indictment charging them with having wilfully accord as a agents of the German Governments.

All Fifth Celumists are not registered as prescribe by law with the Secretary of State. Bonst believe everything you hear.

May M. 1942

Dear Lou:

Here's the first one. Although I'm not satisfied with it, I guess it will get by. Unless I hear from you earlier, I'm call you tomorrow afternoon about art. I'm too damn tired tonight to figure it out. If it's OK except for any changes you want to make in pencil (which are OK with me) will you please shoot it along to Thompson as per the enclosed enveloped. But for God's sake don't make me rewrite it. Don't forget to send me the stuff you got up on the other case.

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Highest regards,

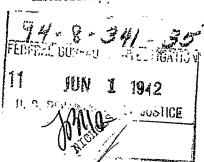
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A Staff Correspondent of the Posts Disputely

Mashington, B.C., May withe FEI was ready to strike. Eight members of a Mail spy ring had been under careful surveillance for months with each and every neve and message known to agents of the Federal Bareau of Investigation. One spy had unwittingly led to another, and intercepted letterin code or invisible ink to a main of ineriminating evidence and after many nonths of patient observation it appeared the fish were all in the net.

Then out of heavens as blue as the sky ever Bermuda Probability opposition to the pisters. British censors relayed information to Washington that they had intercepted at the Bermuda station a letter addressed to a high ranking. The writer had observed that a certain type of bacteria placed in oil tanks might cause and emplesion, and asked if that had been the mature of some the reported blasts.

To the been-minded threstigators of the FBI the note source but one meaning an unidentified and possibly dangerous enemy agent was operating in the United States.

Class examination of the note by handwriting experts and analysis of the paper on which it was serawled a biseau laboratory technicians failed to establish that

"Rabert" had been encountered in previous inquiries. Immediately all existing plans to elose in on this spy ring experience suspended. The word to continue matchful waiting was sent out to the hundreds of agents engaged in counter espionage for the pretection of these shores.

Thus began the search for "Robert" that led over a long and complicated trail to the solution of the mystery of the missing memorandum book. As in other such cases that have confronted the FBI, success came only a seemingly intermined the patience-taxing interval during which small bits of the purslesses that have patience-taxing interval during which small bits of the purslesses that have entered the first of the first

One of the German espionage groups in America was headed by Eurt Brederick Ludwig, and the sum of the gang of the gang of the gang of the state a month after the FBI first placed him on the suspect list when Ulrich von der Osten, a Masi army intelligence officer, died from injuries suffered when struck by a taxical in New York City. At the time of the accident, unaware that he was watched by Government agents, Ludwig seized Von der Osten's black brief case and wanished save are the watchful eye of the FBI into the crows.

One by employe of the group under his direction joined the parade passing swittingly before the Federal agents. Ludwig, American-born, had lived in Germany st of his life but resided in the United States since 1940, posing as a est esmin sel though actually he was a full-time, handsomely-compensated) spy. a Long Island housewife, whose home was used as a meeting place and who was proparing to rejoin her husband in Germany when arrested after committing big bumber, the B-19 She also recruited assistants from her b Turn Verein and a German script school | run by the Among them was Lucy Booksler, Ludwig's fairly comely logyear-old Germanbein secretary, who duties included obtaining information from soldiers on leave to deling devices to which she was suited by nature. Another man had access to sain settinger still another was a machinist who helped collect production figures; the size was the man to Freehlish, who was paid to pass important mobilisation interestion Code lacer, who teld indule, whe in turn sent it along by means of code The last server of the correction passed as much of it along as

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and reviewed by the Federal Eureau of Investigation. It become apparent that was the technical advisor for a spy gang whose duty it was to analyze collected information order to supply estimates approximating fact, after digesting information collected by other members of the group. Briefly, "Robert" assimilated information published in newspapers, pamphlets or disclosed in loose talk, and managed to make a surprisingly accourate over-all report to Germany.

In the course of the search for "Robert" the FBI received from the superintence of abuilding at he Wall street, a memorandum book and found in a lebby telephone booth. It contained notations of addresses and names of preminent people in the Wast' regime and German Army. It also contained the name, presumably of the owner, Paul Borchardt, 577 Isham street, New York. He was No Stranger to the T

had been Learned Cheeking Borchardt, it was ed that he had entered the United States in 1940 as a Jewish refugee after having spent 16 days in the Masi Siberia of INTERMENT CAM then had been in the custody of the Gestapo until influential comrades of his World War krmy days obtained his release and maneuvered his escape from his persecutors. It was reported he had offered himself to the US Army Intelligence; he, himself he he had lost his professeptal job in 1933 because he was for citizenship within a week of his arrivals: a distant relative employed in (U. was of unquestionable ANOTHER CLOSE RELATIVE Government service, de unquestioneds a brother, also beyond suspicio

Continuing the inquiry of means beet known to the Federal agents determined that although Borchardt lived in a Farweek room, he paid \$1 for the breakfast. It was also learned that he had been a student of economy, colonial stience and English at the Universities of Berlin, Hamburg. Brussells and London; that he had been sent to Africa in 1912 by the German Government on a geographical and biological mission; that later he had studied photography and flying qualifying as a leave the sent to prove that he had studied photography and flying qualifying as a leave that

He mapped the Lybian desert shortly before 1914 when at the cutbreak of war and wounded;
he became a Naval aviation officer, was shot down then transferred to the Turkish.

Army from which he retired at the end of the war with the rank of Major. The inherited \$250,000 from his father's estate and in 1932 became head of in geopolitics the Polytechnical University at Munich, where dientific studies were secretly direct by Adolph H, ther's German army heads. He was "removed" in 1933 because of his un-Aryan attributes, but was permitted to write for a living until the Gestape decided to to England, then New York.

It also was determined in the his brother, also presumably arrayan, was a high ranking officer in the Army and had recently been decorated for valor.

Incidentally, Major Borchardt also held two iron array orosses for "street fighting" during the Nazi coupes. By the time this information was established, the FBI was inclined to wonder whether Major Borchardt was really a refugee. It was STreet suspected that perhaps he might also answer to the name of "Robert."

Further investigation disclosed that his apartment contained with significant titles on various scientific subjects, several of them relatively costly for a man with no visible means of support, he appeared particularly interest in "The Definition of Great Britain," "Boulder Dam," and "Slimactic Changes in the United States." Borchardt's landlagy, who had a resounding Tentonic mane, had every heard several calls from "Jee," who usually introduced himself with the phrase "I bring you greetings from friends in Munich." Glever, they carlie reside that Ludwig was "Joe Ressler."

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Sorohards was taken into oustody a glibly told the story of his persecution in Germany and explained his breaker's high army status by pointing out that he was an homerary aryan one to previous services to the nation. He insisted that he himself, had escaped imprisonment only through influence and denied he had been in touch with the German consulate in New York.

See in touch with the German consulate in New York.

Acced with the cablegram rescued from the furnace, he was answered simply that it couldn't possibly refer to him. Confrented with the little nemotindum book found in the telephone booth, he biandly disclaimed ownership although it contained his hame and address. His own note book, to which he had referred in his statement, had been stolen from his pooket when he was watching a fire on Seventhevenne, he said, This one? Phooies Meanwhile, ready now to close the trap on the Lugwig ring, FBI agents were

tagging the master spy across the country. In intensely interesting, almost humarous incident had scourred, that he was unaways that he had been detected after being under serveillance for more than six months.

agents eperating directly under J. Edgar Hoeyer had cleaned up another espionage case known to be a seemed as the leases, which will be discussed in another account. If the ugh each group of German agents work independly of the other, it is obvious that acquaintanceships with interlooking. When the government agents entered a store arrest a miner figure in the Junes. Ludwig unfortunately was present. Investigate had been trailing him for months passed him without sign of recognition, arrested their man, and later intercepted a letter from Ludwig to his Masi employers informing that of the arrest. It was sent en to Germany.

Indites seem thereafter, "hid out" (or he so thought) at a tourist camp in Amagivania. He there began an automobile trak across the country, followed closely of Fil agents who followed him in helays from State line to State line. Once Ludwig states directions of an FII agent who was waiting to pick him up as he passed the manager the matter spy repeatedly doubled back in his route to set off pursuers. The matter spy repeatedly doubled back in his route to set off pursuers. The matter spy repeatedly doubled back in his route to set off pursuers. The matter spy repeatedly doubled back in his route to set off pursuers. The restrictions that the matched him interview soldiers near Army camps, requestioning them after Ludwig had given them a lift; watched him photograph dams and power stationals abserved him party was of field glasses preparing a code letter at a Ohio context among watched him barn papers in a fireplace at a Yellowstone National across the such as "coast artillery", and the state of the barn papers in a fireplace at a Yellowstone at a such as "coast artillery",

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the family, and when he answers ask him to send \$200 to Salt Lake City and suggest he take a long trip out West. He'll understand. He explained confidentially to the guard that the "trip out West" was a warning to get away. He also told the friendly guard to send a message from "Joe" to a name at Buenos sires: "Friends are sick, send help." It can be well understood how the "guard" got in immediate touch with the FET.

agents at New York. When he received the message from local to the Rederal decided the jig was up, and stook no longer on his claim of "refegee."

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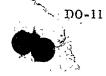
"I would rather die than reveal any German army scorets," the "persecuted immigrant"

Paul T. Borchardt—"Robert" to the FBI—was sentenced to 20 years in the penitentiar for having done well his work in the United States

Others in the ring received sentences varying from five to 20 years. Lucy Boelmler escaped with five because of her years; the others ranged from 10 upward.

"The Enemy is Listening. He Wants to Know What You Know. Keep it to Yourself.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NICHOLS L

Relative to Mr. Goldstein's second story on the Duquesne Case, the following matters are called to your attention:

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

May 18, 1942

In the last paragraph on page one and in the next to the last paragraph on page five mention is made of foreign mail drops. It appears from the story that the FBI intercepted letters and watched at these drops. This is of course inaccurate and it is believed that the story should be changed accordingly.

It is assumed that you personally covered with Mr/Gold-stein the material in the last paragraph on page two and in the first paragraph on page three. In a brief review of the files on the Duquesne Case it has been impossible to identify these incidents.

The reference to "inferior" cars in the next to the last line on page five is not believed desirable.

It is noted that at the middle of page six reference is made to January as the date of the convictions and of course these occurred in December. It is felt that the total sentences received in the case and the total fines might well be corrected at this poin

Respectfully,

I I McGuire

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Dear Lou,

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Do you thinkit was cricket to check the typewriter when Heine wasn't looking?
Tch, tch.

Al Goldstein

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94-8-341-35 FEDERAL BUSSANDER SIGE Bebeld traveled on to Mulheim and rejoined his aged mother. In need of funds a stained exployment as a skilled mechanic with the Sieman Schukert Company, a firm extract in the construction of steam turbines under consignment from the Westinghouse Electrical Company of the United States. Shortly after he went to work he received a letter informing him that "Br. Gasener" had a matter of major importance to discuss the size. Secola with a free man's fear of anonymous communications reported the letter pelice who seas him to the office of the Sestapo. He was told the receive "Dr.

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after his interview with Dr. Gassner,

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and in the use of the Leica camerator preparations of misrophotographs of plans, maps, and other items not fitted for transmission belief messages; it was suggested that he employ a short-wave radio operation and establish communication directly with Germany; that he join the Mational Guard and secure anything general as to military forces, ship movements, or other items of interest contained in newspaper elippings or overheard in conversation.

In the back of his watch case werenicrophotographs, reduced to a size no darger than a postage stamp, containing the second principals, and three additional microphotographs to be durind over to other German agents in the United States, listed as Col. Friends, Lilly Stein and Everett Roeder. He also was instructed to assume the name of "Harry Sawyer," and to get in touch with Herman Lang, an imspector for the firm manufacturing the extremely secret Roeder bombsight.

After FBI agents heard his account, he was directed to a ledging house and permitted to leave the ship. But as he went down the gangplank, a nod from an agent at the field him to men who watched his every move for two days without his knowledge. Satisified the had followed instructions thus far, the FBI recestablish for relations. From \$1000 supplied him by the German officers, he was permitted to establish more confortable quarters but not to purchase the Leica camera they had instructed him to buy.

His first chore was to present his credentials to Mily Stein. 252 East 79th steet, as directed by the Nazi mentors.

Barbara

Lilly Carola Stein, the FBI determined, was 26 years sid, somely, Victure Storm vicarious and lived by means at 252 East 79th street, New York City. It shapely figure, darkbrown hair and hazel syes, were utilized for means of income gain remittances from Berlin were delayed. Although well-born in austria, her finances were limited, and she had at tempted to borrow money from an applaye of the German Consulate. Claiming to be partly Jewish, she the same this country in 1986.

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Schold, meanwhile, carrying out instructions of his Gestape menters under supervisting of the FSI, had established a shortware radio station for argent messages to Germany. Even the loyal Sebold was unaware that the operator he engaged for the term of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Lilly Stein accepted Sebold effect to send messages. Her first urgent cry was:

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Two," the woman spy asked Sebold, "is Salaricht"

A few hours later the same cry rang through the halls to rearriers at Washington.

Who is Heinrich?

The "Ducase," so named only because Duquesne headed the list handed by the Gestapo to Sebold of persons he was to contact in the United States, could not be closed until the identity was established. The investigation to find the industrial master mind of the largest spy ring in the began.

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By Alvin H. Geldstein

Wishington, My ... Truth is stranger than fiction. It is beyond the realist line in the conceive of an American citizen being impressed into the German descripe. Let the records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation bear effected binat it happened. The true story of the mis-named "Ducase" departs from the field of fletion for the simple reason that no reader would believe the incredible facts.

The FBI first heard of Milliam Gottlieb Sebold when the American consul at Celephe sant word that Sebold had obtained a new passport to return from Germany replace the lost at Mulheim. In the course of his interview with the consul, he mustered quickly from the corner of his mouth:

where the Gamen pick me up when I get back."

His departure several months later from Genea, Italy, was duly reported and when his shows that quarantine of Hew York Harbor, agents of the Federal Bareau of Investigation found him in his stateroom. There he gave an account that barea even the credulity of the experienced investigators of the FBLe

War in the Engineering Corps Imperial German Army, Sebold had returned to German to visit his mother at Malheim. As he descended the gangplank at Hamburg, a beauted stranger swang into step beside him, pressed close and whispered:

"You will wait to hear from us in the near future."

By Alvin H. Geldstein A Staff Gerrespondent of the Pestalispater

Washington, May ... The startling appearance of a letter from Detroit scattering important war production information in the hands of Lilly Stein; the Series appearance dark forebodings at the Federal Bureau of Investigation. A statuter figure of major proportions had entered the binefire seems for the first time. The single clue to the identity of the writer was the types signature. SELECT. Director John Edgar Hoover assigned special agents to types signature.

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Heine busily continued making the case for his conviction. Once he encount man whom he mistook for a former associate in Germany and confided he him cortain phases the name of his work.

What will you do if the United States gets into this fight; the man whose identity Heine had mistaken.

"We "li take care of that by creating the proper kind of sentiment in this country." Heine replied.

It was soon thereafter that Heine's Underwood typewriter, punished severely
by lengagthy correspondence that Heine's intended for German eyes, stood in meet
of repair. Watchful Federal agents, he longer concerned with the analysing questions
"Who is HEINRICH" typed of specimens from the machine before it was returned to the
owner. Heedless to say, it was the typewriter of Heine and Heinrich letters. The
Ducase was complete, and

espionage duty by a Dr. A.H. Wirts in Berlin, and that he had substituted because he wanted to return to the United States and he was broke. On a calling card bearing wife's name, the following code was found by his wallet:

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Dear Lou:

This is the end of the current correspondence but, I hope, the beginning of a friendship. I think XXX you can tell that there is no organization in the world that I admire more than the FBI, and I have a right to admire it because I know how you work. After all, it is self praise. I work that way myself.

I was particularly pleased to hear from Mr. McGuire today that you liked [I have tried] the yarms to carry the water on both shoulders by presenting a more or less lurid account and still keeping the facts in shape if not in sequence. Thanks a great deal for your patience with me during my stay at Washington, and for your ready understanding of my problem.

As to art, I don't know what we can add to the last request except I think we should have specimens of letters from "Heinrich" and letters from Heine, showing the proof of the presing pudding. I think a picture of the code on the back of the calling card would add to the account. If you've got a picture of Aldrich, he certainly is a hero and could be played up as such. Then, if that can be handled, how about a shot of a mail drop. Ok, Itali quit

Incidentally, Meguire said he was having difficulty getting anything off the film showing the Bodenshatzes with high German officers. It would serve to authenticate anything he gets, no matter how bad it is, because it would serve to authenticate the story and a little voice whispers to me that it needs authenticating.

Thanks, and highest regards,

al Audata

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May 14, 1942 Dear Lou: What's wrong, pal? You've got me worried. I'd sure like to hear from you so I'd know how we are getting along together. As to art on the enclosed, I'd like to have anything you can rake up to enliven the yarn--phibures of the wire segments, shot showing some sort of an examination in the laboratory, picture of the printed sign and specimen showing Etzel's spelling when he wrote the words for you. And anything else you think of I'll appreciate it if you send it all along with the attached to Don Thompson. Highest regards. Al Goldstein

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By Alvin H. Goldstein . A Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch

Washington, May ... One of the most powerful weapons of any nation at war is sabotage. The enemy within the walls remaining undetected until the auspicious moment, may strike suddenly and with frightening effect. Industries have been crippled, transportation systems paralyzed, countless soldiers and civilians have lost their lives in nations where systematic sabotage has been used by the enemy as an instrument of war.

It is one of the many preventative functions of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, by order of the President of the United States, to protect this country to the utmost from the deadly stab of the saboteur. So vital is this phase of modern marfare that the President deemed it necessary to fermally urge all citizens and law enforcement agencies to promptly report to the FBI all information or reasonab's suspicions regarding acts of sabotage affecting the war effort.

With grave concern, then, Federal agents considered the information communicated secretary by officers of the Glenn L. Martin Co., near Baltimore, one of the largest manufacturers of military aircraft for the Army and Navy of the United States. It is at these factories that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed, tested and flown into service that the huge Martin B-26 constructed that the huge Martin B-26 constructed that the huge Martin B-26 constructed that t

Although damage to the bombers had been found before the planes were taken into the air and no loss of life had occured, the implications of the malicious acts were intensely alarming to the Martin management, the FBI and Army Intelligence Corps officers participating in the investigation. (more)

Shortly after the inquiry began, a workman whose background and conduct made him a likely suspect was watched with cautious thoroughness. Within a few days, the man under suspicion was transferred to another department. No further evidence of sabotage came to light for six days and the investigators began to breathe more easily the nine bombers on the plant again teemed with fear and suspicion.

Again a suspected semploye whose movements had been the subject of careful scrutiny was moved to another section. The following five days were uneventful and the hopes of the investigators that a solution was near, sourced. Exactly at 6:30 a.m. on the thirteenth day of the investigation of Mastin B-26, officially inspected and approved thirty minutes earlier, was found sabotaged. An electrician entering the section after inspection made the discovery that several wires had been severed.

Inquiry in this part of the plant disclosed that a workman had been seen in the plane between the time the inspection was completed and the electrician reported his fearsome find. This employe, too, was placed under surveillance, his home and family associations painstakingly investigated, and his political views enganisation and family associations checked. Without his knowledge of the scruting he was established as a splendid, conscientious mechanic, a loyal American beyond suspicion of misconducte. The stone wall loomed again.

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at 6:30 a.m. inspection disclosed that six wires of an interphone had been out in a bomber that had passed inspection at 5:50 and again at 6 a.m. In this instance a workern was found in the act of clesing his tool box by the third inspector who discovered the damage. Fellow workern who had observed his actions cleared him of suspicions

Gecasionally reports were received that sections of rubber tubing out from the planesby the sabeteur had been more dropped in gasoline tanks. Had this not remained undetected, the rubber eventually would disintegrate and cleg fuel lines, possibly bombers were

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Every measure known to scientific crime detection was utilized but still no clue appeared to the identity of the audacious sabeteur. With the assistance of efficers of the Martin factory, each damaged plane was "charted", showing precise lessations of the bumbers, a close approximate of the time of the sabetage, and the position as far as possible of each employe in the plant. The FBI laboratory reported that the sabeteur had centrived to clip wire in such manner as as to leave no asserted that the sabeteur had centrived to clip wire in such manner as to leave no selectale identifying marks except that it could be definitely that the

Proceeding on this scanty information, a examination was begun of each pair of B. The pliers in the Martin plant and the spectrograph at the FBI technical laboratory was called into service in an effort to determine if minute.

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The message was lettered in blue and red pencil, but most significant to the FBI was the fact that it was a first class free hand printing jet and it undoustedly had been done by a trained or talented artist. A sheek of company recers had distinct closed that one Michael W. Etzel had set forth in a questionaire that his hebby was "sign painting." Etzel was employed as a painter, with the duty of placing decalomanias, or squad insigned, on the finished bombers. His record as a werkness was splendid—it was said that he knew 200 of the various insignia by memory.

adorned bomber, Etzel was questioned. He denied having been in the plane, but fellow workmen disputed him and one eye witness told of seeing him enter. Questioners noted that he carried seen red and blue peneals in his works elothing. He was the plane of the later an alert and loyal associate reported that Etzel askeds

"Was anything painted found for Hitler or against him?"

act of sabotage occurred at the Glenn L. Martin Company's Baltimore plant. The principle of counter-espionage were placed into effect by the FBI. It was determined he was and that he had made pro-Nazi statements to associates and had given the Masi salute. He once had painted a swastika on his took box which contained a pair of E-reals placed.

At the end of the sixth week of observation, Etzel was taken in custody for questioning the reported for duty on the midnight shift. He denied any sort of sabotage or that he had printed the signe. He was asked to write a list of words including "heil" and "government." He was asked to write a list of words including "heil" and "government." He was asked to write a list of words including "heil" and "government." He was asked to write a list of words including "heil" and "government." He was asked to write a list of words including "heil" and "government." He was asked to write a list of words including "heil" and "government." He was asked to write a list of words including "heil" and "government." He was asked to write a list of words including "heil" and "government." He was asked to write a list of words including "heil" and "government." He was asked to write a list of words including "heil" and "government." He was asked to write a list of words including "heil" and "government." He was asked to write a list of words including the list of the special place of the words including the list of the was asked to write a list of words including the list of the was asked to write a list of words including the list of the was asked to write a list of words including the words include the words i

German Government, not the people themselves, and I did not want theme planes to be used against the German people and so I damaged the ships.

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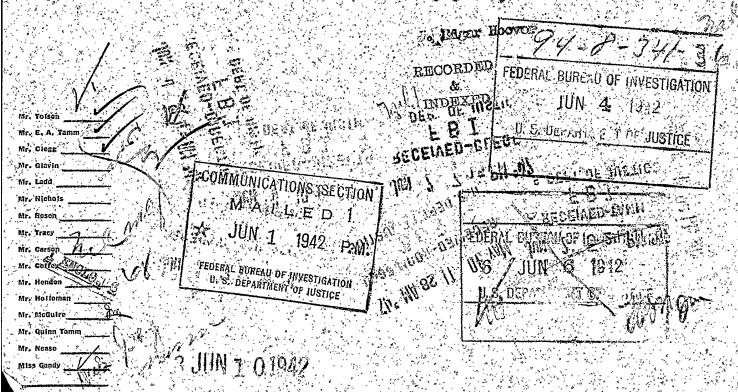
Dear Mr. Goldscein:

After an extended absence on the Vest Coast, I wanted to drop you a note to tell you how much I enjoyed my visit with you while you were in Vashington open weeks ago.

I have also seen the first of your series of articles which appeared in last Sunday's edition of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, and I thought you did a very fine job in handling the story. I know that it must have interested the readers of the Post-Dispatch.

With bost vishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,



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He Posed As a Jewish Refugee

First of Series On Work of FBI

This is the first of several articles on the work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in rounding up enemy agents in this country. By permission, the accounts were taken from the records of the FBI in Washington, and the stories officially approved for publication. The second will appear in hext Sunday's Everyday Magazine.

And Everybody --- With the Exception of FBI --- Accepted Paul Borchardt as Such; After Long Investigation They Turned Him Up as Dangerous Nazi Spy

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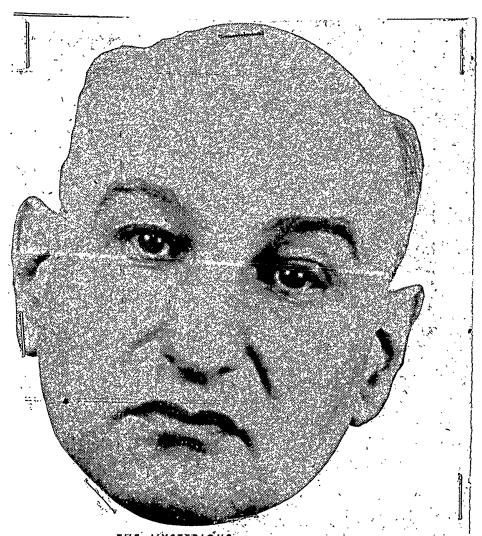
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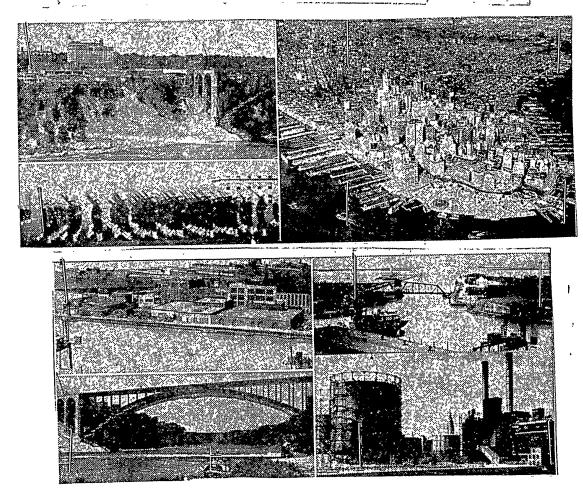
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LUCT BOEHMLER, HIGH SCHOOL GIRL WHO ACTED AS LUDWIG'S SEC RETARY. SHE GOT OUT WITH A SENTENCE OF FIVE YEARS BECAUSE OF HER YOUTH.

Pictures Found in Spy's Luggage and

Camera After His Arrest by FBI Agents



WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21: HE FBI was ready to strik Eight members of a Nazi spy ring had been under careful surveillance for months with each nove and message known to agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigaion. One spy had unwittingly led o another and after many months f patient observation it appeared he fish were all in the net.

Then out of heavens as blue as he sky over Bermuda "Robert" ropped into the picture. British ensors relayed information to Vashington that they had interepted at the Bermuda station a tter addressed to a high ranking erman army officer signed only that cryptic fashion. The writer ad observed that a certain type acteria placed in oil tanks ight cause an explosion, and sked if that had been the nature

some reported blasts.
To the keen-minded special gents of the FBI, the note had in on meaning—an unidentified nd possibly dangerous, enemy, gent was operating in the United tates. Close examination of the ote by handwriting experts and nalysis by Bureau laboratory techicians of the paper on which it as scrawled failed to establish pat "Robert" had been encounered in previous inquiries. Imjediately all existing plans to close on this spy ring were suspended. he word to continue watchful aiting was sent out to the hunreds of agents engaged in counter spionage for the protection of

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-Alerican-born, had lived in Germiny most of his life, but lad resided in the United States slace 1940, posing as a salesman, although actually he was a full-time, handsomely compensated Nazi spy. The group included a Long Island housewife, whose home was used as a meeting place and who was preparing to rejoin her husband in Germany when arrested after committing to mem-ory facts concerning the United States, big bomber, the B-19. She also recruited assistants from gymnastic classes at a turnverein and a German script school run by the Bund.

Among them was Lucy Boehmler, Ludwig's 18-year-old German-born secretary, whose duties included obtaining information from soldiers on leave. Another man had access to ship sailings; still an-

There were eight in all-many with code names (Ludwig, for example, was "Joe Kessler"), but no "Robert." The Ludwig trap, or any other that had been baited could not be closed until his identity and connections were established. More work for the FBI.

There were further messages to Germany from "Robert." mately they reached the Federal Bircau of Investigation It became arparent that "Robert" was the telhnical adviser for a spy gang whose duty it was to analyze collected information in order to supply estimates approximating fact, after digesting information col-lected by other members of lie group. Briefly, "Robert" assimi-lated details published in various newspapers, magazines, pamphists or disclosed in loose talk, and managed to make a surprisingly ac-

aged to make a surprisingly accurate over all report to Germany.

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N the course of the search for "Robert" the FBI received from a building superintendent on Wall street; a memorandum book found in a lobby telephone booth. It contained addresses and names of prominent people in the Nazi regime and German Army. It also contained the name, presumably of the owner, Paul Borchardt, 577 Isham street, New York. He was no stranger to the FBI.

Borchardt, it had been learned. had entered the United States in 1940, passing as a Jewish refugee War I army days obtained his riported he had offered himself the United States Army Intil-ligence! He, himself, had related that he had lost his professional job in 1933 because he was non-Aryan. He applied for citizenship within a week of his arrival; a distant relative employed in United States Government service, was of unquestionable loyalty; another close relative, also beyond suspicion, was a naturalized citizen This record would satisfy anyone anyone except the FBL.

Continuing the inquiry, the Federal agents: determined that although Borchardt lived in a \$5-aweek room, he paid \$1 for each breakfast. It was also learned that the had been a student of economy, colonial science and English at the Universities of Berlin, Hamblirg, Burssels and London; that he had been sent to Africa in 1912 by the German Government on a geographical and biological mis-sion; that later he had studied photography and flying, qualifying

as military observer: He mapped the Lybian desett sortly before 1914 when at the outbreak of war he became a Na val aviation officer, was shot down and wounded, then transfered to the Turkish Army, from which he retired at the end of the war with the rank of Major. He inherited \$250,000 from his father's estate and in 1932 became head of the Polytechnical. University at Munich, where studies in geopolitics were secretly directed by Adolf Hitler's German army heads. He was "removed" in 1933 because of his un-Aryan attributes, but was permitted to write for a living until the Gestapo decided to send him to the concentration camp, at Dachau for 16 days, shortly before he went to England, then to New York

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The job now was to gather the evidence that would prove that this "refugee" was actually a Nazi spy. Fate took a hand. The man-file on Seventh avenue, he said. ager of a building in which the This one? Phooie! Nazi consulate had its office reported that he had received in-structions from the Germans to burn huge quantities of papers agents were "tagging" the master while they stood by. He managed by across the country. An interbold a great flame setting incident had occurred, causting incident had occurred, causting incident had occurred. the fire the moment the Nazis de-parted, leaving a large portion of the documents undestroyed.

Borchardt was taken into cus-URTHER investigation distody and glibly told the story of his persecution in Germany, and tained books with significant explained his cousin's high Army

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Meanwhile, ready now to close the trap on the Ludwig ring, FBI to burn them in such a way they esting incident had occurred to made a great flame, satisfying the ing the German agent great flame, such there were ing the German agent great anxiety, although his conceit was the fire the moment the Nazis described after being the fire the moment the Nazis described after being he had been detected after being under surveillance for more than six months.

of the other, it is obvious that acquaintanceships are interlocking. When the Government agents entered a store to arrest a minor figure in the Duquesne, case, Ludwig unfortunately was present. Investigators who had been trailing him for months passed him without sign of recognition, arrested their man, and later intercepted a letter from Ludwig to his Nazi employers informing them of the arrest. It was sent on to Germany.

Ludwig, soon thereafter. "hid out" (or he so thought) at a tourist camp in Pennsylvania. He then began an automobile trek across the country, followed closely by FBI agents who followed him in relays from State line to State line. Once Ludwig asked directions of an FBI agent who was waiting to pick him up as he passed the boundary. The master spy repeatedly doubled back in his route to set off pursuers.

The result was that agents watched him interview soldiers near Army camps, re-questioning them after Ludwig had given them a lift; watched him photograph dams and power stations; observed him, by use of field glasses, pre-paring a code letter at an Ohio tourist camp; watched him burn papers in a fireplace at a Yellowstone National Park cabin, and later, after his departure, salvage the ashes for examination at the FBI laboratory to find words such as "coast artillery," "anti-aircraft" and others making valuable eyadence at the trial:

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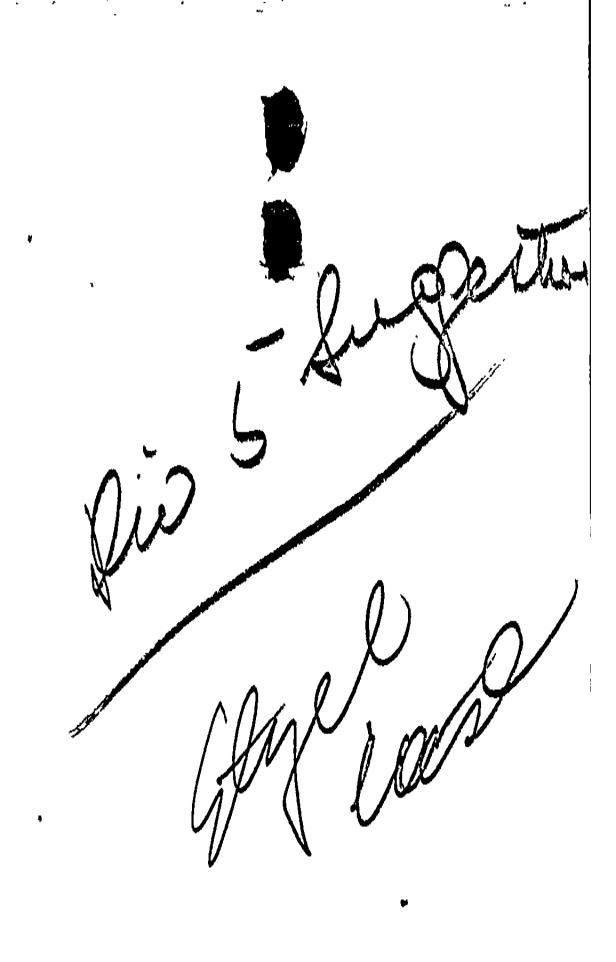
"Telephone 577 Isham avenue, New York City. Ask for Borch-ardt. Say: 'How is the family,' and when he answers ask him to and when he answers ask him to send \$200 to Salt Lake City and suggest that he take a long trip but West. He'll understand." He xplained confidentially to the guard that the "trip out West" was a warning to get away. He also told the friendly guard to send a message from "Joe" to a name at Buenos Aires: "Friends are side, send help." It can be well understood by now how the "guard" got in immediate touch with the FBI.

Later when Borchardt was busily engaged in making denials to the Federal agents at the New York FBI office, he decided the jig was up, and no longer stood on his claim of "refugee," when he was advised of the message from "Joe."

After his testimony in March be fore Federal Judge Henry W. Goddard, Brooklyn, when he said: "I would rather die than reveal any German Army secrets," "the persecuted immigrant," Paul T. Borch-ardt—"Robert", to the FBI was sentenced to 20 years in the penitentiary for having done well his work in the United States as a military adviser for Germany, Others in the ring received sentences varying from five to 20 years. Lucy Boehmler escaped with five be cause of her tender years; the other ers nanged from 10 upward.

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John Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover;

Thank you for the gracious note. It was nice to have talked with you while I was in Washington and I hope that our paths soon cross again.

I am glad that you were pleased with the first story of the series on the great work of your organization and I hope to receive your comment after you have seen the remainder.

May I take this opportunity to express my deep gratitude for the assistance I received from Mr. L. J. Nichols and others who helped me under his direction. Without his cooperation, any effort of mine would have been futile. If the stories are at all creditable, it is due as much to his intelligent cooperation as to anything else.

Highest regards.

Cordially yours,

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Mr. Nease

For record purposes, there is attached hereto another of the AIAGoldstein stories which appeared in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. I wish to call your attention to the two page rotogravure section layout which was given the New York Spy Case by the Post by using photographs which we have furnished to them.

Respectfully,

L. B. Nichols

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Country's Largest Spy Ring Was Broken Up by F. B. as Result of This Urgent Request

By Alvin H. Goldstein.

A Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch

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"Have the G-men pick me up

when I get back.'

later from Genoa, Italy, was duly reported and when his ship anchored at quarantine in New York turn to the United States as an Harbor, agents of the Federal esplonage agent for "our society" Bureau of Investigation found him in his stateroom. There he gave was not purely Aryan, was not in his stateroom. There he gave was not p an account that taxed even the committal. credulity of the experienced investigators of the F. B. I.

A naturalized citizen of the United States, former private in the first World War in the Engineering Corps, Imperial German Army, Sebold had returned to Germany to visit his mother at Mulhaim. As he descended the calculations heim. As he descended the galg-plank at Hamburg, a stranger swung into step beside him, pressed close and whispered:

in the near future."

RUTH is stranger than fiction, need of funds, he obtained em in the clutches of the dreaded Ges-WASHINGTON, June 13. and rejoined his aged mother. In It is almost beyond the realm ployment as a skilled mechanic The F. B. I. first heard of William Gottlieb Sebold when the lam is sent him to the office of the Ges-American consul at Cologne sent tapo. He was told to receive "Dr. World that Sebold had obtained a new passport to return from Germally to replace his lost at Mail."

With a free man's fear of anonymous communication, Sebold reported the letter to police, who sent him to the office of the Ges-Itapo. He was told to receive "Dr. Gassner."

A few weeks later "Dr. Gassner"

visited him. The doctor was interested in obtaining information concerning the production of military planes and equipment in the United States. He displayed in amazing familiarity with Seboli's career as a former employe of His departure several months American plants engaged in aircraft production, and after long conversation urged Sebold to re-

You will wait to hear from us the near future."

Sebold traveled on to Mulheim mid rejoined his aged mother. In missing, and he knew then he was Nicholaus Adolph Fritz Ritter of Secret Service, German the charged with supervision of the activities of Nazi agents abroad, visited him a few weeks later.
Relatives of Sebold's maternal
grandfather, in Germany, were
Jewish, they recalled. He agreed to act as an espionage agent for the Reich in the United States.

Sebold forthwith reported at he Klopstock Pension at Hamburg, quarters of espionage agents in training for assignment as spies throughout the world. The daughter of the pair who operated his living quarters had lived for many years in the United States, and knew, or thought she knew, the problems with which he might be confronted.

It was here that Sebold received instruction in the preparation of coded messages and in the use of the Leica camera for preparations of microphotographs of plans, maps and other items not fitted for transmission in brief messages; it was suggested that he employ a short-wave radio operator and esdirectly tablish communication directly with Germany; that he join the National Guard and obtain anything general as to military forces suip movements, or other items of in crest contained in newspapel clappings or overheard in conversation.

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His training course at Hamburg completed, he was permitted to re-turn home. In the back of his watch case were five microphothgraphs, reduced to a size no larger than a postage stamp. One con-tained instructions as to the preparation of a code to be used in communicating with his German principals, while another listed data Sebold was to obtain. The three additional microphotographs were to be turned over to other German agents in the United States, listed as Col. Fritz Duquesne, Lilly Stein and Everett Roeder. He also was instructed to assume the name of "Harry Sawyer," and to get in touch with Herman Lang, an inspector for the firm manuufacturing an extremely secret bombsight.

After F. B. I. agents heard hip account, he was directed to a lodge ing house and permitted to leave gahgplank, a nod from an agent al

the rail identified him to men the ldw, who watched his every more for two days without his knowl-Satisfied Sebold had followed instructions thus far, the F. B. I. re-established relations. From \$1000 supplied him by the German officers, he was permitted to establish more comfortable quarters but not to purchase the Leica camera they had instructed him to buv.

His first chore was to present his credentials to Lilly Stein, 232 East Seventy-ninth street, as directed by the Nazis.

ILLY BARBARA CAROLA STEIN, the F. B. I. learned, was 26 years old, good-looking, Vienna-born, and lived by vicarious means at 232 East Seventy-ninth street, New York City. Although well born in Austria, her finances were limited, and she had attempted to borrow money from an em-: ploye of the German Consulate.

Claiming to be partly Jewish, she emigrated to this country in 1939, asserting her intention to become a citizen less than a year become a citizen less than a year later. She was an old friend of Heinrich Sorau, who had helped train Sebold in the work of the Gestapo, and who enrolled her in the German espionage service with early assignments to Belgium and England. Finally, she was assigned the United States.

To Lilly Stein, Sebold present d from his microphotograph by the F. B. I.:

"Dear Miss Stein: I have met your friend Heinrich and L have regards from Bachhenkel and Grinzing to extend to you. I shall be glad if I can extend them personally and beg you to advise me of the time and place I can meet you. Harry Sawyer."

He also delivered the micromessage to Miss Stein which, despite its miniature proportions, disclosed the German Government required information as to whether International Telephone & Telegraph Co. had offered French and British agents new methods of bombing; if whereabouts of a French manufacturing plant at Montreal could be determined; about a professor said to have developed a new type of anti-aircraft weapon; if a shell with an "electric eye" was being manufactured in the U.S.

They wanted to know about developments in aircraft; details of preparations for bacteriological warfare in the United States; if units of the regular Army and Navy were being sent abroad as "volunteers," information concerning mobilization and shipping of war supplies to Europe, includ-

ng the names of ships and the dates of departures. A code to be dised in reply was attached.

After the F. B. I. had recorded these messages, Sebold phoned Miss Stein:

"I bring you greetings from Bachhenkel and Grinzing." He made an appointment to meet at her Seventy-ninth street anart-ment, and presented the note. She message, said:

"I can read it well."

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URING various visits with Sebold she confided that she was employed by a counter-espionage organization in Germany and that she had been so engaged in of a prominent American with mately sought to clear their inforwhom she had become sentimental-mation by Nazi instruction through ly entangled in Europe who would "Harry Sawyer." supply her with information on his early expected return to the United pictures of members of the say States. She said she was having ring when each arrived at Sebold's difficulty in communicating with quarters to pass along messages of Nazi headquarters, and as a result vital concern to the German Govher salary was in arrears.

Sebold, meanwhile, carrying out the instructions of his Gestapo mentors secured a radio station it was erected by the F. B. I. and soon it was in operation to handle urgent messages to Germany. Even the loyal Sebold was unaware that the operator he engaged for the work was an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Lilly Stein accepted Sebold's offer to send messages. Her first urgent cry was:

"Stein says must have money

In reply, Sebold received the fol-

lowing in code from the Gestapd "NEED URGENTLY, FROM ALL FRIENDS, MONTHLY PRODUCTION OF AIRPLANE FACTORIES. EXPORT TO ALL COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY ENG-LAND AND FRANCE. NUMBER, TYPE, DATE OF DELIVERY. BY STEAMER OR AIR. ARMA-TURE AND ARMAMENT. PAY-MENT CASH AND CARRY OR CREDIT ETC STOP."

"I think I can get it," Lilly Stein

Gradually, as Sebold worked himself into the confidence of Miss Stein, names of other spies were obtained and after months pf watchful waiting it seemed certain that the entire gang was under surveillance. Thirty-two names came to light, and precise legal evidence was gathered by agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation sufficient to convict, them of espionage.

It was determined that Roeder, obtained a mounted magnifying American born, an expert on fireglass and applying it to the micro- arms, was delivering information gained in that connection to Sebold for transmission via short wave radio to the Nazis; Duquesne, a professional spy for the highest bidder, was supplying information he picked up here and there from loose talkers and braggarts in Government service; evidence was gathered against Lang of the bomb-England and Belgium. She told him sight plant, and others who ulti-

Secretly, the F. B. I. took motion ernment. After these messages had

been transmitted, replies were received and hundreds of different the F. B. I. to Nazi espionage agents. Lilly still was sending trigent messages for money. The case seemed complete with 32 in the trap.

UT again the patience of the B UT again the patience of the F. B. I. was rewarded. One day Sebold received an urgent call from Lilly and visited her at her apartment. She turned over a letter apartment of Detroit containing impostmarked Detroit, containing important and accurate information on production of the aviation industry in that area, with particular emphasis concerning developments in Diesel engines. Lilly Stein said the letter came as a surprise to her, that she was unaware of the ner, that she was unaware of the identity of the sender and that she knew no one in Detroit. The letter was signed "Heinrich." She was acquainted with no Heinrich in America, she said, but perhaps it was intended that Sawyer relay the information to Berlin. Sebola agreed.

agreed.
"Who," the woman spy asked
Sebold, "is Heinrich?"
A few hours later the same cry rang through the halls of F. B. I. headquarters at Washington.

Who is Heinrich?
"The "Ducase," so named only because Duquesne, professional international spy, headed the list handed by the Gestapo to Sebold of persons he was to contact in the United States, could not be closed until "Heinrich's" identity was established. The investigation to find the industrial master mind of the largest spy ring in the country began.

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"AS HE DESCENDED THE GANGPLANK AT HAMBURG, A STRANGER SWUNG INTO STEP BESIDE HIM, PRESSED CLOSE AND WHISPERED: 'YOU WILL WAIT TO HEAR FROM US IN THE NEAR FUTURE.'"

ANOTHER PICTURE OF MISS STEIN. SHE USED HER PHYSICAL CHARMS TO ADVANTAGE IN CARRYING ON HER WORK.

TWAS a fantastic cat-and nouse game which the Federal Bureau of Investig gation played with a Nazi spy ring before pouncing on the 33 members who were sentenced to prison early this year. Reports from the spies to Germany and instructions for them from Germany passed through the hands of the F. B. I., for the transmitter of these messages, William G. Sebold, German-born American, was voluntarily cooperating with the F. B. I. while pretending to serve the Gestapo; the G-men had provided his radio station and its operator. This supervision of the ring's clearing house for information gradually informed the F. B. I. of the identity and activities of the agents, and motion pictures of many of them were secretly taken when they visited Sebold's office. A two-part story of the successful spy hunt, giving details taken from the files of the F. B. I., begins today in the Everyday Magazine of the Post-Dispatch, part of a series of articles on F. B. I. cases. On this page ary some of the pictures the G-men took.

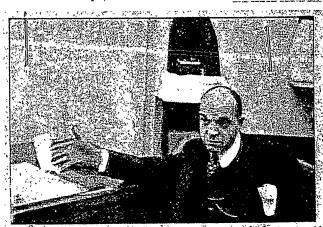
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Nazi Spies At Work Secretly 'Mugged'

by the F. B. I.



callers made secretly by the G-men. Duquésne, native of South Africa, dedventurer and professional spy, regarded as one of the leaders of the ling, received an 18-year sentence for espionage and a two-year sentence, the maximum, for failure to register as a German agent.



Hallwig Kleiss, former chef of the United States liner America, who drew a six-year sentence or espion- when the ship was being made into a transport.



age. He obtained blueprints of structural details

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Herman Lang conversing with Sebold—under the eye of a hidden F. B. I. camera. Lang, who was employed as an inspector at a factory making bombsights, was later convicted of failing to register as a German agent and conspiring to deliver vital defense secrets to Germany. He was sentenced to two years on the former count, 18 years on the latter.

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Frederick Duquesne, member of a Nazi spy ring which was operating in the United States before being rounded up by the F. B. I. He is seen the on a visit to the New York office of William B. Sebold last June. Sepold, who transmitted messages by radio between the spies and

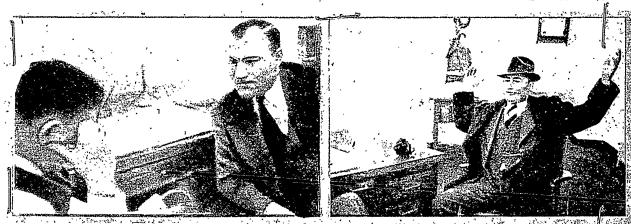




Germany, posed as a Gestapo agent but actually worked with the F. B. I. The first part of a detailed story of this celebrated spy case appears in the Everyday Magazine of the Post-Dispatch today. These photos and the others on the page are from motion pictures of Sebold's



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Erwin W. Siegler, who pleaded guilty of failing to register and conspiracy, and got two years on the first count; 10 on the sceond







Henrich Clausing. This call at spy headquarters was made a few weeks before the ring was rounded up. Clausing was sentenced to two years for failure to register, eight for conspiracy. He pleaded guilt to both charges but refused to tell the Court the source of his orders from Germany.

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June 17, 1942

UR. TOLSON

For record purposes, there is attached hereto another of the Al Goldstein stories which appeared in the St. Louis Post-Bispatch. I wish to call your ottention to the two page rotogravure section layout which was given the New York Spy Gase by the Post by using photographs which we have furnished to them.

Respectfully,

L. B. Nichols

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June 30, 1942

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Ur. Alvin A Koldstein Ost. Louis Post-Dispatch 521 Fifth Avenue New York, New York

Dear Mr. Goldstein:

Assistant Director L. 2. Nichole has advised me of your deaire for additional actorial to be used in connection with your current vertes of newspaper articles and I am indeed pleased to enclose a menorandum dealing with the danger of runor and hysteria together with a copy of my recent address at the Commencement Exercises at Notre Dane University.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Ir Clegg Ir Glavin
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: All Goldstein

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Miss Gandy Some time ago Al Goldstein asked me for material on which to do a story on rumors. This was covered in a blue memorandum which I submitted to you on June 20. You 0.K. d the memorandum as did the Director. When it came back to me, I tore up the memorandum. The matter was mentioned to the Director over

The memorandum we are sending Goldstein is similar to other memorandum we have given to Fred Collins and others and is absolutely safe.

the phone and he inquired as to the authorization.

Since Goldstein has been very friendly and received a raise as a result of his other series of FBI stories, I thought that by all means the Director should drop him a note and transmit the material to him rather than to furnish it to him orally.

L. B. Nichols

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NEW YORK BUREAU

521 FIFTH AVENUE

Dear Lou:

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT

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nclosed is a copy of the story I wrote on the information you furnished on rumor mongers. I felt it wasn't necessary to send it to you for "censorship" as it complied not only in letter but in spirit to the material relayed to me. However, it occurred to me that it might help in arranging our interview with Brother H., as it might indicatest that I understand what is all about and that I love the F.B.I., and don't think I'm kidding.

I hope Hoover gives me a chance to write a swell story about him. appreciate your trying to arrange it.

Yours,

P.S. Please pay no attention to some of the bad sentences and omitted words in the attached carbon as I took care of them (I hope) in editing, a job which I trusted to you on the other series.

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Washington, July .--One of the most powerful weapons of any nation at war is sabotage, and one effective form of sabotage as an instrument of violence is rumor-mongering. The for within the walls, having prepared a path to panic by prompting false gossip, may strike sudcenly and with frightening effect.

In nations where systematic sabotage has been utilized by the enemy, industries have been crippled, transportation facilities paralyzed and countless soldiers and civilians slain because a state of hysteria prevented re-establishment of order.

The Axis knows that dissemination of gloomy gossip, if undisputed and unchecked, tends to destroy morale by arousing suspicion as effectively as a bomb dropped plump in the center of an ammunition dump destroys munitions, and it is encouraged as a prelude to such violent action. Rumors planted by foreign shortwave radio or propaganda agents to shake the faith of citizens in their own Government, are no more harmful than the insidious, unfounded talk of loyal, though witless Americans. Repetition by the loose-talker of an unconfirmed whisper of suppressed enemy success, disaster or impotency is an act no less of abetting the Axis than harbouring sabeteurs landed on American shores from a submarine.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, by specific order of President Roosevelt, is charged to protect the United States from the deadly stab of the saboteur, and agents of the F.B.I. do-noted Ferentials between gossipmongers and Extremes dynamiters. Each is considered equally dangerous to the war effort.

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hundreds
Thus, the F.B.I. has tracked to the source literally timmends of oldwives tales and bits of vicious gossip that have spread from tengue to the tengue with astenishing rapidity. They range in gravity from the ridiculous to the sinister, an example of the former being the report that Japanese disguised as salmon were captured by Federal officers in the Columbia River, of my the latter the story widely circulated in New York that boat leaded with my the bodies of war casualties in an unspeakable condition, causing workers to refuse to approach the vessel in the harbor. This latter canard was so widespread it was necessary for local newspapers to publish denials.

"The invasion of America took place years ago," Director John Edgar Hoover, of the Dederal Bureau of Investigation, declared recently in his commencement address at Notre Dame University, warning gossip as a symptom of hysteria.

Foreign foes preached their gospel of gate that too often fell on fertile scil," Hoover said, "with the result that our Nation has been weakened by forces pulling in every direction. This did not occur over night. The invasion of American took place years ago. The conspiracies of these traitors have prompted have rompted Hitler to beast that America is on the brink of revolution and that, when he desires, he can precipitate a state of civil strife. But American has profited by mistakes of thepast.

No longer are we as susceptible to Nazi lies and propaganda.

"One task before college graduates today is to apply their intellectual curiosity to exposing the motives of those who preach a foreign "ism," instead of good, old fashioned Americanism. When you hear wild tales which cause you to wonder, "What's the use?" find out what is back of these foul mouthings before you pass them on as the gospel truth. A rumor monger can do as much damage as an armed invader. Make it a cardinal rule of your life not to become the innocent purveyor of specious gossip.

mongers heard on good authority that ground glass had been placed in sponges consigned to our armed forces so that when wounds are treated contamination and infection will set in. When this rumor reached the F.B.T., special agents were detailed to get the facts. This is what happened.

The instructor in a medical school had explicitly pointed out to his class the necessity for the proper handling of sponges. He had observed that in the first. World War a few sponges had been contaminated by ground glass A. A member of the class teld the story to a friend. Within a few days it had become so distorted that from a propagande viewpoint it excelled the lies of Goebbels. Mulitiply this yarn by ten thousand and you have some idea of the falsity of some stories being circulated which should be considered an insult to the intelligence of our people. It is such idle gossip that has created hysteria.

With the bombing of Pearl Harbor, the wheels of the war-rumor factories began to turn at top many speed. From California came a lurid report that a Japanese spy had plowed furrowed messages on a hillside of his farm. After the rains, when the field was green, it was found that the "secret writing" was J-C-E, the first name of the loyal American farmer.

F.B.T. investigators proved untrue the story that Japanese in Hawaii, under the very noses of in Army, Navy Intelligence and Eureau agents, had cut we swatches in case fields pointing the way for Japanese airmen to Pearl Harbor and other military objectives. They exploded the yarm about the E.S. Army motorcycle messenger, said to have been shot in the leg with a .22 caliber bullet by a sniper in Honolulu. He had been hit by a pebble, but the story grew faster than the five little peppers.

Also false was the Honolulu "scare story" that the newspaper advertisment of a Japanese merchant contained coded instructions to spies instead of bargain prices of silks; that a Japanese salcon-keeper was caught and shot at his short-wave transmitter during the Pear Harbor raid, and that many Japanese "ham" operators, frequent Army post visitors, had been in radio communication with many enemy aircraft carriers and planese. The gossip, even more widely circulated than the foregoing, that Japanes truck drivers drove from side to side of the road from Honolulu to Hickham field to dely American rilots frantically racing to their planes, was without foundation in fact. But these and similar falsehoods terrified many residents of the community.

Typical of the many baseless rumors received at the Bureau was the one about the enemy submarine being ransported by truck, on public highways near the West Coast. The "submarine" turmed out to be a cigar-shaped boat, containing none of the armament flatly reported by "eyewitnesses," purchased for \$25 by its owner for a fishing vessel. More logical but just as false was the widespread rumor that 3000 acres of land in the Jap-dug vicinity of vital war installations had been honeycombed by tunnels short that The rumor started from the fact that there was an abandoned mining shaft on the property.

Recently residents of a Pacific Coast town were frighted by a report that spread like wildfire that their would be an enemy bombing on the place on a specific day, included in the rumor. The story was that during blackout practice at such and such a school, one of the children had remarked that perhaps there would be no need for another. But a small Japanese child had innocently replied that there would be a blacked out on the particular day, because her father had predicted an air raid at that time. The fether, so the story went, had been arrested. The F.B.I. established that the child's choted remark had never been uttered and, of course, that no arrest had been made

There was a panicky report that a man had been observed driving an automobile equipped with searchlight and telegraph set, obviousl; engaged in espionage. Federal agents searching for the spy, found a practical joker who had purchased a toy telegraph set, for \$1.75, had attach done key to the sun visor at the driver's deat, and had concealed the other under the floor mat. In this manner, he was able to pretend to signal exirplanes with the visible key, and to receive by tapping undetected with his foot.

Acquaintances described the rumer-starter, a traveling salesman, as just a big, overgrown hid. That, to paraphrase the old song, is how rumers are born.

An automobile burst into flame in a building housing some m litary equipment. In it was a home-made contraption consisting of alarm clock, mouse trap and matches. alarming At mining speed, the report spread that saboteurs had planted an infernal machine in the building. Investigation disclosed the culprit was a man, suffering from an old head injury, had taken this peculiar manner to destroy his automobile because his wife frequently wanted him to me take her driving, and he thought he was getting too little sleep.

Shortly after the inited States entered the war, the F.B.I. was informed that a woman's canary had died from drinking water poisoned by a sabothur. It was determined that the canary had not been fed for several days before death, the cause of which was from evereating when finally given food and water.

A woman employe of a gas mask manufacturing company visited a physician for treatment of social hand infection, caused by mexage a neglected needle puncture. Shortly thereafter, an account was rampant that someone in the plant had been caught puncturing masks with a needle, rendering them ineffective if used during a raid. The birth of the rumor was traced to a party, where it had been told to a woman employe of the plant by a truck driver, who h d heard that defective masks had been found at the factory. The truth

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New York City was thrown into great confusion last December with circulation from af a report that enemy bombers were only two hours Azentharrity and headed for town. Schools were dismissed and pupils instructed to remain in their homes, traffic was interupted, air-raid wardens summened from offices. Mewspapers published the story and at least one issued an extra, radio stations ordered listeners to "stand by" and, in short the entire city was jittery. The incident, the F.B.I. reports, was by nothing but an accumulation of rumors.

The began with a apport that the pelice department of another Eastern Seaboard lity had instructed police of a negroy town to have schools dismissed and order children to their immes. This devel ped from a call by me air raid warden in the small town who had instructed to some to send the children home for a short time, presumably as a drift. The surden's instructions were insunder tood and the children dismissed for the day.

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The surden's office measure of the State Chief Air Raid Warden's office measure were sent to control centers advising that an air raid was expected in New York City and ordering the evacuation from public school buildings. This made the rumor toffictal and the cubect of comment by newspapers and radios. It should have primately been all forces agests in the average and radios. It should have primately been all forces agests in the average.

"Spies taking pictures of defense plants," have turned out on investigation to be newspaper photographers anapping pictures for the real estage page; reports that a college laboratory was taken the object of saboteurs have spring from the remark of an instructor that the school was engaged in some experimental research for the Governmentes that ground glass was found in a consignment of cannod shrimp were predicated exaggeraged statementaby an alarmist who had come across a few chystals of struvite, a natural substance of various types of cannod seafood.

There was a widely circulated rumor in Western states that a secret sign was pasted on automobile windshields by members of subversive organizations. It turned out that a match manufacturer had employed youths to distribute the stickers as part of an advertising compaign. The foreman of a defense plant sent a boy to a nearby shoe shop for emery dust for factory use. At an emazing speed the rumor spread that emery dust was being principal thrown into machinery by saboteurs. Investigation eliminated any attempt at sabotage.

A blue light withhe top of of a seabo rd hotel, led to a report that during blackouts it was used to signal ships at sea. It was determined that the light was waused by the elevator switch. A report that a war plant was to be dynamited on a given day, causing great conscription emong employes and others in the area, was traced to trace: to an evesdrop or in a hotel lobby who everheard a conversation between two executives of the company in which one remarked: "That won't come off till Monday." The rumer monger was unable to explain why he assumed this to mean an explosion.

Not infrequently when rumors are traced, they have come to Mr. A from Mrs. A after she had returned from a tea party. Then they are often traced to Mrs. B who freely admits that Mrs. C told her that German Reservists employed in the local airplane plant were responsible for the airplane crash in which soldiers were killed. In this identical was angry because her sen kind of case, it developed that Mrs. C instant was unable to find employment at the plant although native born, while naturalized citizens were at work there.

One elderly women told her 87-year-old husband she was going to the mountains, adding she had heard a conversation on the street car in which it was said that West Coast cities might be bombed. He repeated the story, supplying from his imagination, names, places and dates. The rumor traveled Rapidly but finally was traded back to the pair by the F.B.I.

It is in this manner that the gossip spreaders and rumor mongers serve the Axis nations by circulating unfounded accounts which tend to create suspicion, distrust and uncertainty, and inviting panic and hysteria in the event of true mishap. It is the urgent request of Director Hoover that people who encounter the loose-talkers refrain from passing the stories along. If it must be told, tell it to the F.D.I.

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ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT MOHAWK 4-5238 NEW YORK BUREAU 521 FIFTH AVENUE

July 14, 1942

Mr. L.B. Nichols, Asst. Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

Dear Lou:

I received the material on fumor-mongers directly from Mr. Hoover, as you probably know, and finally got the story off to the office last night. Will you please convey my thanks to him for the information and also for the copy of his address to the graduating chass at Notre Dame, from which I quoted appropriate sentiments.

Thanks, also, and many of them to you for all the help you have given me, and I hope that soon we shall find something with which I can trouble you again.

If you want, I'll let you know when the story appears, as I presume both you and Brother H. will want to see how it looks in print.

Meanwhile, if there's anything I can do for you, let me know and if you see anything in which you think I would be interested I would sure like to hear about it. Next time your boys go fishing for saboteurs, tell them to catch one for me.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NICHOLS

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At 12:35 P. M. today, I talked with SAC Norris, of the St. Louis Office, who advised that the St. Louis Post Dispatch contemplated running a highly commendable editorial on the Director's anniversary in tomorrow's edition.

He did not know yet just what it will say but will keep the Bureau informed. He also advised that the St. Louis Globe Democrat, in tomorrow's issue, will carry a story on the Director.

Mr. Norris stated that he talked with Mr. Eaton, Editor of the Star Times, who expects to use a photograph of the Director along with the President's letter to the Director, in the Sunday issue of the Star Times. I telephonically read the President's letter to Mr. Norris and it was taken down by Miss Brady in his office. Mr. Eaton has assigned a Mr. Minor, a writer of the Star 21 Times, to get up a story along with some photographs about the Bureau and Mr. Norris has given him considerable information, including photographs taken at the St. Louis Office that depict the following scenes:

A complainant entering the office reception room.

An Agent receiving the complainant for interview.

The complainant being interviewed at a desk by an Agent.

A scene showing the files being checked in the Chief Clerk's Office. RECORDED

A scene of a clerical employee at a teletypewriter.

A scene looking at a fingerprint card.

A scene showing the complainant leaving the office.

Agents McVey and Yaucey were used in these photographs. FORDEFENSE Both are good looking Agents who make an excellent personal appearance. Norris stated that the Bureau is very creditably BUY represented in these photographs and he is confident that the Star Times will give the Bureau a very favorable write-up.

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THE FOLLOWING ARTIGLE WRITTEN BY ALVIN HINGOLDSTEIN, STAFF CORRESPON-LOWIS POST-DISPATCH, IS BEING-FORWARDED FOR THE APPA ROVAL OF MR. NICHOLS. QUOTE. WASHINGTON, JULY TWENTY FIFTH DASH SHORTLY AFTER ENACTMENT BY CONGRESS OF THE LAW SETTING G-MEN ON THE BLOODY TRAIL OF GANGSTERS KIDNAPERS AND RACKETEERS, A FAMOUS NEWSPAPER COLUMNIST WROTE AN ARTICLE CRITICISING JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR OF THE FED-ERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, FOR REMAINING SECURELY IN HIS OFFICE WHILE HIS AGENTS CARRIED ON THE HAZARDOUS WORK ALREADY MAKING HIS NAME LEGEN IN AMERICA. BEFORE PUBLICATION, HOWEVER, NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS MENTIONED HOOVERS PRESENCE AT THE CAPTURE OF A DANGEROUS CRIMINAL AND THE ARTICLE WAS DISCARDED. PARAGRAPH HOOVER LEARNED OF THE INCIDENT ONLY AT A LATTER MEETING WITH THE COLUMNIST WHEN THE LATTER RECOUNTED IT AS AN AMUSING ANECDOTE. IMAGINE HOOVERS AMAZEMENT WHEN HE SUBSEQUENTLY SAW IN NEWS-PAPERS AN ARTICLES BY THE SAME WRITER CRITICISING THE DIRECTOR FOR PARTI-CIPATING IN RAIDS THROUGHOUT THE NATION INSTEAD OF REMAINING AT WASHING-TON TO ATTEND TO ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES. AND, SINCE THE DAY HE TOOK OFFICE SO IT GOES. PARAGRAPH HE HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH SEEKINGOPUBLICITY OVER-EAGERLY AND, IN THE SAME BREATH WITH SUPPRESSING "INFORMATION, HE HAS BEEN ACCUSED OF WITCH-HUNTING OR QUOTE RED-BAITING UNQUOTE BY THE OVER-ZEALOUS INVESTIGATION OF LIBERALS, AND, BY THE SAME VOICES UNDULY FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH LEFT-255434. HE HAS BEEN CRITICIZED

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PAGE TWO FOR NIGHT CLUB ACTIVITIES BY THE SAME PEOPLE WHO HAVE RIDICULED HIM FOR HIS NEARLY FANATICAL DEVOTION TO DUTY. CRITICS CHARACTERIZING HIM AS A QUOTE POLITICIAN UNQUOTE, PRESUMABLE ARE UNAWARE HE HAS LIVED FROM THE DAY OF HIS BIRTH IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, THUS HAS NEVER CAST A VOTE, AND THAT TOMORROW MARKS THE TWENTY FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS SERVICE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE UNDER BOTH DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATIONS. PARAGRAPH QUOTE THIS MAY SOUND FUNNY TO YOU UNQUOTE HOOVER SAID IN A FORTHRIGHT DISCUSSION OF THE GAUNTLET OF PUBLIC OPINION HE HAS RUN EACH DAY SINCE HE BECAME DIRECTOR OF THE FBI IN NINETEEN TWENTY FOUR, QUOTE BUT MY NATURE I AM A VERY SENSITIVE MAN. UNJUSTIFIED CRITICISM OR UNFAIR COMMENT HAS ALWAYS HURT ME DEEPLY. BUT I HAVE TRIED TO SO CONDUCT MYSELF THAT I COULD LOOK ANY MAN IN THE FACE AND TELL HIM TO GO TO HELL. AN D ON FREQUENT OCCASIONS I HAVE DONE JUST THAT. FARAGRAPH QUOTE FOR INSTANCE, THERE HAS BEEN A GREAT DEAL MADE OF MY FRIENDSHIP WITH WALTER WINCHELL. ITS TRUE, WITHOUT A ITS TRUE, WITHOUT ANY RESERVATION HE IS MY FRIEND. WINCHELL WAS FAIR AND FRIENDLY TO THIS NOW. IVE BEEN BUREAU WHEN MANY OTHERS WERE HOSTILE AND ATTACKING IT. TOLD THAT CERTAIN NEWSPAPER WRITERS WOULD BE MORE CONSIDERATE IF I GAVE UP MY FRIENDSHIP WITH WINCHELL. WELL, I DON'T FORGET MY FRIENDS AND I REMEMBER MY ENEMIES. THE CASO TO HELL . UNQUOTE. REPORTS HAVE BEEN COMMON, PARTICULARLY IN THE GOSSIP COLUMNS, THAT WIN-CHELL RECEIVES EXCLUSIVE NEWS QUOTE TIPS UNQUOTE FROM HOOVER IN THE

CQURSE OF A DRINKING SESSION AT A NIGHT CLUB WHERE THEY OCCASIONALLY ARE SEEN TOGETHER. THE FACT IS, HOOVER, SAID, WINCHELL HAS NEVER RE-CEIVED AN EXCLUSIVE STORY FROM THE BUREAU OR FROM THE DIRECTOR. THERMORE, HE DOES NOT DRINK EXCEPT FOR AN OCCASIONAL GLASS OF SHERRY OR CORDIAL AFTER A MEAL, WHEN WHILE RELAXING HE MAY SMOKE ONE CIGAR. THIS, HOWEVER, FAILS TO PREVENT APPEARANCE OF ITEMS SUCH AS THE ONE RECENT SUBMITTED BY A WIDELY SYNDICATED GOSSIP COLUM IST TO THE EFFECT THAT IF HOOVER IS SEEN DRINKING TOMATO JUICE INSTEAD OF HIGHBALLS IN THE EVENING, ONE CAN EXPECT AN IMPORTANT DISCLOSURE FROM THE FBI NEXT MORN-ING. PARAGRAPH QUOTE, I HAVE BEEN CRITICIZED FOR GOING TO PRIZE FIGHTS AND FOR WATCHING THE HORSES RUN, UNQUOTE. HOOVER CONTINUED. CERTAINLY, WHEN I HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY I ATTEND THE FIGHTS AND VISIT THE TRACKZ I HAVE SEEN MORE DISGRACEFUL CONDUCT IN PARK AVENUE HOMES THAN AMONG MY ASSOCIATES AT THE FIGHT RING OR RACE TRACKS. I WILL GO ANYWHERE I HAVE A RIGHT TO GO WITHOUT DISGRACING MYSELF OR THE BUREAU. PARAGRAPH IN HIS EARLY YOUTH, J. EDGAR HOOVER RESOLVED TO BECOME A MINISTER. HIS FATHER WAS A TECHNICAL EMPLOYEE IN THE UNITED STATES COASTAL SURVEY, HIS MOTHER, A SWISS CHARLE, RELATED THE THE SWISS MINISTER TO THE US AND TO FEDERAL JUDGE WILLIAM RITZ. HE WAS EDU-CATED IN DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SCHOOLS, WHERE HE FLUNKED IN FOOTBALL DUE TO A THEN DELICATE FRAME, BUT SPARKLED IN DEBATING AND IN PERFOR-MANCE AS AN OFFICER IN THE HIGH SCHOOL CADET CORPS WHERE HIS INSISTENCE

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ON SWIFT OBEDIENCE WON HIM THE NICKNAME, QUOTE SPEED UNQUOTE, STILL THE FORM OF ADDRESS FROM OLD FRIENDS AND WELL UNDERSTOODY BY AGENTS OF THE FBI. PARAGRAPH ON GRADUATION HE OBTAINED EMPLOYMENT AS A CATALOGING

CLERK IN THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS WHERE HE DOMONSTRATED A MEMORY SO RE-MARKABLE THAT LONG AFTER HE HAD LEFT TO ENTER GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIV. TO PREPARE FOR THE MINISTRY HE' FREQUENTLY WAS ASKED FOR ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING DOCUMENTS, WHEN THE CLEW WAS ONLY A LINE OR TWO IN A SPEECH FROM ACONGRESSIONAL RECORD. PARAGRAPH MEANWHILE, BORN IN ONE PROTES TANT FAITH, HE HAD CHANGED HIS DENOMINATION TO ANOTHER, PRESBYTERIAN, OF HIS ADMÍRATION FOR A MINISTER LESS DOGMATIC THAN HIS OWN, WHO SAW NO EVIL IN THE PLEASURE OF DANCING, PLAYING GAMES, SUNDAY SCHOOL SOA-CIALS AND OTHER FUNCTIONS DISCOURAGED BY HIS FIRST SPIRITUAL LEADER. ALTHOUGH HE ULTIMATELY BECAME A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER, HE CHANGED HIS MIND ABOUT THE MINISTRY AND STUDIED LAW. ON GRADUATION HE WAS EMPLOYED IN NINETEEN SEVENTEEN AS A LAW CLERK IN THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DUR-ING PRESIDENT WILSONS ADMINISTRATION. PARAGRAPH THE NOTORIOUS MITCHELL PALMER ALIEN RAIDS WERE UNDER WAY, UNDER DIRECTION OF WILLIAM J. FLYNN, THEN HEAD OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, AND THE FAMOUS CASES AGAINST THE ANARCHISTS WERE SHIFTED FRO PROSECTUION TO YOUNG HOOVER WHO SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCTED THEM TO FINAL CONCLUSION. THIS HAD BEEN RECALLED BY HOOVERS OPPONENTS TO INDICATE HE IS A

PAGE FIVE TIONARY OR QUOTE WITCH-HUNTER. UNQUOTE. PARAGRAPH HOOVER SAIFTED THE EVIDENCE SUBMITTED BY THE INVESTIGATORS AND CONDUCTED THE PROSECUTIONS IN CALM AND ORDERLY FASHION. WHEN EMMA GOLDMAN WAS ORDERED DEPORTED, SHE TOLD HIM, QUOTE WELL, YOU GAVE ME A SQUARE DEAL, UNQUOTE. HIS FINAL REWARD CAME WHEN HE WAS ATTACKED AS A QUOTE RED-BAITER UNQUOTE BY A CONGRESSMAN RECENTLY ON THE GROUND OF THE ANARCHIS PROSECUTIONS, ONE OF THE ATTORNEYS WHO HAD REPRESENTED SEVERAL DEFENDANTS, RUSHED TO HIS RESCUE WITH A VOLUNTARY LETTER, PRESERVED IN HOOVERS FIEES, COMMENDING THE YOUNG LAWYER FOR HIS FAIR CONDUCT OF THE CASES. PARAGRAPH WAS APPOINTED ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNDER, THE NOTE THE NEXT FOUR YEARS, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE SANK INTO DISREPUTE, WITH THE FBI MANNED HEAVILY BY AGENTS ACCEPTABLE TO THE PROPRIETOR OF THE PRIVATE DETEC-AGENCY TIVE (NCY), AND THE DEPARTMENT ITSELF BLINKING AT QUOTE TEAPOT DOME, UNQUOTE AND OTHER SCANDALS. IN NINETEEN TWENTY FIVE PRESIDET COO-LIDGE SUMMONED DEAN HARLAN FISKE STONE OF THE COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL, NOW CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE US SUPRE COURT, AND GAVE HIM A FREE HAND TO CLEAN UP THE SITUATION. PARAGRAPH THE FIRST RESIGNATION WAS W. J. BURNS. HOOVER WAS APPOINTED ACTING DIRECTOR, UNTIL STONE QUOTE COUNTY FIND THE BEST MAN IN THE UNITED STATES FOR THE JOB, UNQUOTE. LATER STONE RECALLED HOOVER, APPOINTED HIM DIRECTOR WITH THE WORDS,

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PAGE SIX IVE BEEN LOOKING FOR THE BEST MAN IN THE COUNTRY FOR THE JOB. YOUR IT, UNQUOTE. THE PRECEEDING MONTHS HAD NOT BEEN WITHT EVENT. PREVIOUSLY ALL APPOINTMENTS TO THE FBI HAD BEEN POLITICAL. HOOVER RULED THAT AGENTS MUST BE MEMBERS OF THE BAR OR CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS. STONE BACKED HIM UP AND CONGRESSMEN, DEPRIVED OF THIS PIECE OF PORK SOON BEGAN TO PUT THE HEAT ON HOOVER WITH NO AVAIL .. THE BURNS QUOTE DICKS UNQUOTE WENT OUT, THE LAWYERS AND ACCOUNTANTS CAME IN. PARAGRAPH A POLITICALLY POWERFUL SENATOR APPEARED AT HOOVERS OFFICE WITH A CANDIDATE. PARAGRAPH QUOTE SORRY SENATOR UNQUOTE SAID HOOVER, QUOTE HE DOESN T QUALIFY HE IS NEITHER AN ACCOUNTANT NOR A MEMBER OF THE BAR. UNQUOTE PARAGRAPH INSTEAD OF THE USUAL THREATENING ARGUMENT, THE SENATO RETIREDAND APPEARED A FEW DAYS LATER WITH A CERTIFICATE THAT HIS MAN NOW WAS ADMITTED TO THE STATE BAR. HOOVER RECALLED THAT HE HAD WRITTEN A TREATISE IN LAW SCHOOL DAYS ON QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE FORTY EIGHT STATES AN IN THIS PARTICULAR STATE THE ONLY REQUIREMENT WAS THE RECOMMENDATION OF ANOTHER MEMBER. HE WON THIS ARGUMENT, TOO, BUT THEREAFTER CHANGED THE QUALIFICATION TO A GRADUATE OF AN ACCREDITED LAW SCHOOL. PARAGRAPH AS SOON AS HE HAD QUOTE CLEANED HOUSE UNQUOTEHOOVER ESTABLISHED THE BUREAUS IDENTIFICATION DIVISION WHICH NOW HAS MORE THE FORTY THREE MIL-LION NAMES ON RECORD, ALL AVAILABLE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS THROUGH-OUT THE NATION, MAKING RELATIVELY SIMPLE THE IDENTIFICATION OF A SUS-PECT IN JIG-SAW TIME. HE THEN ESTABLISHED A SCHOOL TO TRAIN HIS MEN

·PAGE SEVEN IN SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION, AND FOR A TIME THESE CRIMINOLOGIST WHO RESORTED TO MICROSCOPES, ANALYSES, PSYCHOLOGY, AND NO RUBBER HOSE WHERE RIDICULED AS QUOTE BOY SCOUTS. UNQUOTE. PARAGRAPH BUT THE PROOF WAS IN THE PUDDING, WITH CAPTURE AND CONVICTION HEAPED ON CAPTURE AND CON-VICTION, AND IN NINETEEN THIRTY FIVS THE NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY WAS FOUNDED WITH GRADUATES FROM THE POLICE FORCES OF VARIOUS CITIES TOTAL-LING SOX HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR. SEVERAL HUNDRED OTHER SCHOOLS, MOST CON-DUCTED BY THE GRADUATES ARE NOW TRAINING INVESTIGATORS FOR MUNICIPAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS. THIS IS J. EDGAR HOOVERS ANSWER TO THE MISGUIDED LEGISLATORS WHO DEMANDED A QUOTE NATIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT, UNQUOTE, WHICH HE DEEMED UNWISE AND SUBJECT TO ABUSE. BY COORDINATION WITH THE FBI ALL THE ADVANTAGES OF A NATIONAL POLICE ARE AVAILABLE WITH NONE OF THE OBVIOUS DANGERS. PARAGRAPH IN THIS WAY WAS THE NATION PREPARED WHEN IT ENTERED THE WAR. THOUSANDS OF NAMES OF ENEMY AGENTS AND SYM-PATHIZERS WERE ON RECORD IN THE IDENTIFICATION ROOM OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION. THY HAD BEEN OBSERVED, WATCHED AND CATALOGUED DASH BUT REMAINED UNMOLESTED UNLESS THEY VIOLATED A LAW. PARAGRAPH AGENTS ARE INSTRUCTED TO OBSERVE STRICTLY THE RIGHTS OF CIVAL LIBERTITES. IT IS INDICATIVE OF THE FAIRNESS OF THE BUREAU TO OBSERVE THAT THE RECORD SHOWS THAT IN THIS WAR SEVENTY FIVE PERCENT OF INDIVIDUALS INVESTIGATED HAVE BEEN GIVEN A CLEAN BILL OF HEALTH. IT IS ALSO INDICATIVE OF THE

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THE MAN WHO RUNS THE BUREAU. PARAGRAPH QUOTE, I PREACH HUMILITY, UNQUOTE HOOVER SAID. QUOTE ALL WHO WORK HERE MUST REALIZE THAT THEY ARE ONLY AS GOOD AS THE FBI. IM NOT FOOLED WHEN I GET THE CHOICE TABLE IN A RESTAURANT OR WHEN IM INVITED TO GIVE A SPEECH, OR WHEN I GET AN HONORARY DEGREE FROM A UNIVERSITY. THAT ISNT FOR ME DASH THATS FOR THE FBI. LET US FAIL IN OUR JOB HERE, OR LET ME BE DISMISSED AND IM JUST JOE. DOAKES. PARAGRAPH, WUOTE AS FAR AS CAPITALIZING ON PUBLICITY IS CONCERNED DASH OF COURSE'I HAVE. THE MORE PUBLICITY THE BUREAU RECEIVE THE BETTER IT IS. IT HAS LED TO PUBLIC CONFIDENCE AND IF WE DO NOT HAVE , PUBLIC CONFIDENCE WE HAVE FAILED UTTERLY AND DO NOT DESERVE AN EXISTENCE. WE HAVE SOUGHT IT. AS A RESULT WE FEEL TODAY THAT A QUOTE G-MAN UNQUOTE AS POPULAR PHRASEOLOGY HAS IT, IS A RESPECTED CHARACTER, A PRO-TECTOR OF THE PUBLIC. WE WANT ALL OF THAT KIND OF PUBLICITY WE CAN IN FACT, WE THINK WE DESERVE IT. PARAGRAPH QUOTE, NOW, AS YOU GET. SAY, I HAVE BEEN ACCUSED OF BEING A CREDIT GRABBER, WAITING UNTIL THE AGENTS HAD A FUGITIVE QUOTE ON THE SHELF UNQUOTE SO I COULD COME ALONG AND PICK HIM OFFF. LET ME TELL YOU ONE INVIOLATE RULE OF THE BUREAU. A RAID INVOLVING PERSONAL DANGER MUST BE LED BY THE HIGHEST RANKING MEMBER OF THE BUREAU PRESENT. ALL I CAN TELL YOU IS THAT I TRY TO BE PRESENT. IF YOU WANT TO CALL THAT CREDIT GRABBING DASH YOU CAN, GO TO UNQUOTE. PARAGRAPH WE HAVE BEEN ACCUSED ALSO, OF RED-BAITING BECAUSEWE HAVE INVESTIGATED LIBERALS TO DETERMINE IF THEY WERE COMMU-

PAGE NINE INVESTIGATION FREQUENTLY HAS DISCLOSED THAT THEY WERE ABOUT AS COMMUNISTIC AS I AM, BECAUSE WE HELD ABOUT THE SAME VIEWS, THIS BUREAU HAS NEVER LABELLED A MAN A COMMUNIST NOR A MEMBER OF A SUBVERSIVE ORGANI-ZATION OF ANOTHER VIEW UNLESS THE FACTS WERE THERE TO JUSTIFY THE CHARGE BUH IT FOLLOWS, AND I EXPECT IT, IF WE INVESTIGATE A COMMUNIST, I WILL BE LABELLED A, FASCIST AND VICE VERSA. PARAGRAPH WHEN IF I, DISHISS A MAN WHO HAPPENS TO BE A PRODESTANT FROM THE BUREAU, IT GET'S AROUND THAT IM A CATHOLIC AND WILL HAV E NOTHING TO DO WITH MEN OF OTHER RELIGIONS IF I PROMOTE A PROESTANT THE GOSSIP BEGINS THAT THE FBI AS ANTI ROMAN CATHOLIC, AND IT HAS EVEN REACHED MY EARS THAT INASMUCH AS HAVE SEVERAL JEWISH AGENTS, THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION IS JEW-DOMINATED, OR AT LEAST I AM, UNQUOTE. PARAGRAPH HOOVER IS FORTY SEVEN YEARS OLD. HIS BLACK, CURLY HAIR IS RECEPTING, HIS COMPLEXION IS DARK TO THE POINT OF SWARTHY AND HIS EYES SPARKLE IN THE SAME TEMPO AS HIS ENERGETIC CONVERSATION, VOLUBLE AND FRANK. A BACHELOR, HE US-UALLY IS ON THE JOB FROM NINE A M UNTIL TEN P M ALWAYS READY FOR AN URGENT CALL AT LESS CONVENIENT HOURS. WHEN HE WANTS TO GET AWAY . FROM IT ALL. HE PICKS A PLACE TO GO FISHING, IF POSSIBLE IN THE HIGH SIERRAS. WHERE NO NONE EVER HEARD OF JOHN EDGAR HOOVER OR THE FBI. THERE FOR A WEEK OR TEN DAYS, WITHOUT LOSING HIS JOB OR DISGRACING THE BUREAU, HE CAN BE JOE DOAKES, WITH NO FAVORS ASKED OR GIVENM. UNQUOTE IT WAS REQUESTED BY MR. GOLDSTEIN THAT MR. NICHOLS CALL HIM TONIGH, IF POSSIBLE, AT TRAFALGAR SEVEN DASH EIGHT FIVE TWO FIVE CONCERNING PUBLICATION OF ABOVE IN QUOTE EVERY DAY UNQUOTE MAGAZINE. FOXWORTH

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NICHOLS

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During your absence today Al Goldstein called from New York City and stated that he was doing an article on Americans broadcasting on Axis radio programs from Germany, that he had pictures of a number of the broadcasters and wanted to get pictures of five others as follows:

Douglast Chandler
Constance Drexel
Edward Leopold Delaney
Gertrudet Hahn
Otto Kroischweitz

We had a photograph on only one of these, Gertrude Hahn.

Mr. Goldstein was later advised that we had no photographs available.

He wanted to be remembered to you.

Respectfully,

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ECK: RLEJanuary 20, 1948 Br. Joseph Rulitzer Jublisher Ost. Louis Post-Disputch So. Louis, Miscourt Dear Ir. Pulitzer: I did want to express by appreciation for your colended tribute to the FII in your editorial "A creat F. D. I. Job" which appeared in the Beachber 30, 1963, thous of the St. Louis Post-Dispotch. Your editorial is a source of preat encouragenest, and I hope that our work in the Juture will continue to justify your considered in ua. With best utches and wind regards. Sinceraly yours, cc - St. Louis Mr. E. A. Tamm. Mr. Clegg Mr Glayin Mr: Ladd Mr. Nichols Mr. Rosen Mr. Tracy___ Mr. Carson_ Mr. Coffey Mr. Hendon Mr. Kramer MAYLED 15 Mr. McGuire_ Mr. Harbo A JAN 21 1JAG RM. Mr. Quint Tami FEDERAL BUILEAU OF INVESTIGATION Miss Gandy V ULS. DEPARTMENT OF IDSTICE

ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCE St. Louis, Missouri

December 30, 1942

A GREAT F. B. I. JOB.

It is impossible to read the details of the F. B. I.'s roundup of the "Terribla" Would gang without warm appreciation of the thoroughness and complete adequacy with which this outstanding Federal agency does its important and dangerous work.

In accounting for these seven criminals, the F. B. I. has completed a notable piece of detective and police work which may be summarized thus:

Dec. 16-Mathew Nelson captured in Min-

Dec. 19-William Stewart captured in Chicago. Dec. 28-Eugene Lanthorn and St. Clair Mc-Inerney shot to death in Chicago in an attempt to escape from their hideout.

Dec. 29—Roger Touhy, leader of the gang, Basil (The Owl) Banghart and Edward Darlak , captured in their Chicago apartment.

The circumstances of the apprehension of Touhy and the last two of his fellow gangsters were intensely dramatic, not for the sake of drama, of course, but because the situation made them so. The apartment was surrounded by heavily armed men and floodlights erected in the darkness. A loudspeaker system was installed. Then at 5 a. m., after families in the apartment had been evacuated, the lights were set ablaze and the three hiding desperadoes were ordered over the loudspeaker to come out one at a time. They came without resistance, because resistance was useless. The man hunt which had lasted from Oct. 9 was all over.

Director J. Edgar Hoover who personally supervised the roundup and took pains to give credit to the Chicago police for their part, expressly said that

the F. B. I. was not investigating the prison break because his agency did not have the jurisdiction. Illinois may well wish that the F. B. I. did have this jurisdiction. For although it is almost three months since that amazing mass escape, no responsibility for it has been fixed. Gov. Green took personal command of the investigation and promised that no one would be shielded. Why should it take Illinois longer to find out whether political mismanagement, of its prison had anything to do with the break than the F. B. I. required to account for all seven - fugitives—seven desperadoes from "the most vicious gang in criminal history"?

How was it that these seven convicts were con veniently together? How was it that they could escape with such relative ease? How did they hap pen to have arms at their command in prison? When is the State of Illinois and at the moment this means the administration of Dwight H. Green-going

to answer these questions?

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Re: WALTER KAPPE--Request of Saint Louis Post-Dispatch

Dear Sir:

By letter of September 28, 1943, you indicated that Mr. Ray Vebster, reporter of the above mentioned newspaper, desires information upon which to base a feature article concerning the activities of Walter Kappe.

There is enclosed a nemorandum setting forth generally the activities of Kappe which may be helpful to lir. Webster, together with a copy of the wanted notice concerning him.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

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Re: WALTER KAPPE

Walter Kappe, alias Valter Kappel, thirty-seven, is a Lieutenant assigned to the Intelligence Section of the German Army. He has served as an instructor in the Sabotage School operated by the German High Command near Berlin. He has been under orders to some to the United States to take charge of a contemplated German sabotage organization, with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois.

Valter Kappe was born January 12, 1905, at Alfeld, Gerlany. He first arrived in the United States on the 58 Orduna on March 0, 1925. He filed a petition for citizen-ship at Kankakee, Illinois, in June, 1925; however, he never acquired citizenship in the United States.

Thile in the United States, he was active in promoting various German Societies. Prior to Hitler's rise to power, he was an active advocate of Nasissa una poasted of his services for the Nasi party according 14-8-311-41

In May, 1931, he was given the position of Telegraphers Total for the "Freie Presse," Cincinnation of 16.1943

News Editor for the "Freie Presse," Cincinnation Chicks of Justice in Cincinnati, he was a number of the German-Hitler Group.

He was also a member of the Teutonia Club which he claimed was sympathetic with the Hitler mavement.

Kappe was the leader of a novement which endeavored to organize a National Socialist Party in the United States as early as 1932. At that time, Kappe was described as an American Correspondent for the Nazi Press with headquarters at 1050 Naveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, where he edited the Nazi pamphlet, "Vorpsten."

Kappe was closely associated with Fritz Gisstbl, one of the organizers of the Teutonia Society which was founded in Chicago on October 12, 1924. This organization was later known as "Friends of New Germany," which later became the German-American Bund.

Gissibl fled from the United States in 1934, reburning to Gerzany, one year after he organized the "Friends of New Germany," aided by Kappe and several other Nazi sympathizers.

Rappe, an agent of the Ausland Organization, is reported to have furnished a list of American newspapers to his headquarters in Germany, which were favorable to the Nazt Regime. Thile in Cincinnati, Kappe made frequent trips to Chicago, and for a short period of time lived in Detroit, then moving to Chicago where he became editor of the "Deutsche Zeitung," the official organ of the Teutonia Society. This paper later became the "Deutscher Deckruf und Beobachter," the organ of the German-American Bund with offices in New York City. Eappe, according to reports, was one of the founders of this paper in 1935.

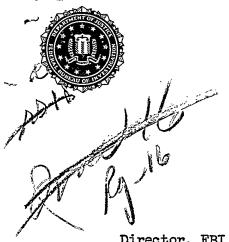
The German-American Bund year book in 1937 was edited by Kappe, at which tine he was known as the National Supervisor of press affairs for the Bund.

Kappe, with three others, was arrested in New York City, on February 18, 1936, on a charge of Lidnaping J. F. Paffrath, then financial secretary of the Deutscher Konsum Verbund. These charges were dismissed, however, on February 25, 1936, in the City Magistrate's Court in New York City.

Fritz Kunn, one time Bund leader; ousted Kappe from the Editorship of the "Deutscher Veckruf und Beöbächter" in 1937, at a time when Kappe was referred to as No. 1 Nazi in the United States. Kuhn suspected Kappe of checking on his activities and submitting reports to the German Consulate in New York City.

During his stay in the United States, Kappe was a frequent lecturer in various cities and contributed articles to Cerman newspapers. Kappe sailed from New York City on the SS St. Louis on June 12, 1937.

Upon returning to Germany, Kappe has served in various capacities. He was Propaganda Director of Radio Station DJB in Berlin and has had control of all portable radio equipment for purposes of propaganda, sabotage and espionage.



Rederal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice

> St. Louis (1), Missouri September 28, 1943

Director, FBI

Dear Sir:

Mr. RAY WEBSTER, reporter for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, called at the St. Louis Office and stated that his paper desires information upon which to base a feature article regarding the activities of WALTERAKAPPE. He states that his paper is of the opinion that such an article may be helpful in locating KAPPE in the event he should come to St. Louis.

It has been suggested by Mr. WEBSTER that if such material can be made available, that there be included any exhibits which might be used in connection with the article, such as communications sent out by KAPPE to his associates in this country.

Please advise this office as to whether such material is available for release to the St. Iouis Post-Dispatch.

Very truly yours.

G. B. NORRIS

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St. Louis (1), Missouri September 27, 1943

Director, FBI

Dear Sir:

Mr. RAY WEBSTER, reporter for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, has addised me that the Post-Dispatch is writing a feature article on the monitoring of radios illegally used since the outbreak of the war. He advised me that the source of information thus far for this article was from the Federal Communications Commission and the radio school of the Army at Scott Field, Illinois.

He desires advice as to whether the Bureau would be kind enough to furnish information regarding its part in the monitoring of radio stations in connection with the Bureau work on investigations involving security matters.

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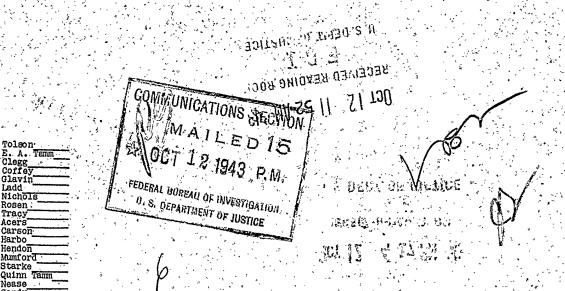
October 11, 1943 SAC, St. Louis Dear Sir:

Your communication dated September 27, 1943, has been received advising of the desire of Ray Webster to include information concerning the work being done by the FBI in the field of radio monitoring in a feature article which is being prepared by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch on this subject.

Of course, the work of the Bureau along this line is confidential and no specific data can be made available. However, there is no objection to your pointing out to Webster that the FBI is prepared to do radio monitoring in connection with specific cases upon which we are working. It is not felt that further details can be given at this time.

Very truly yours.

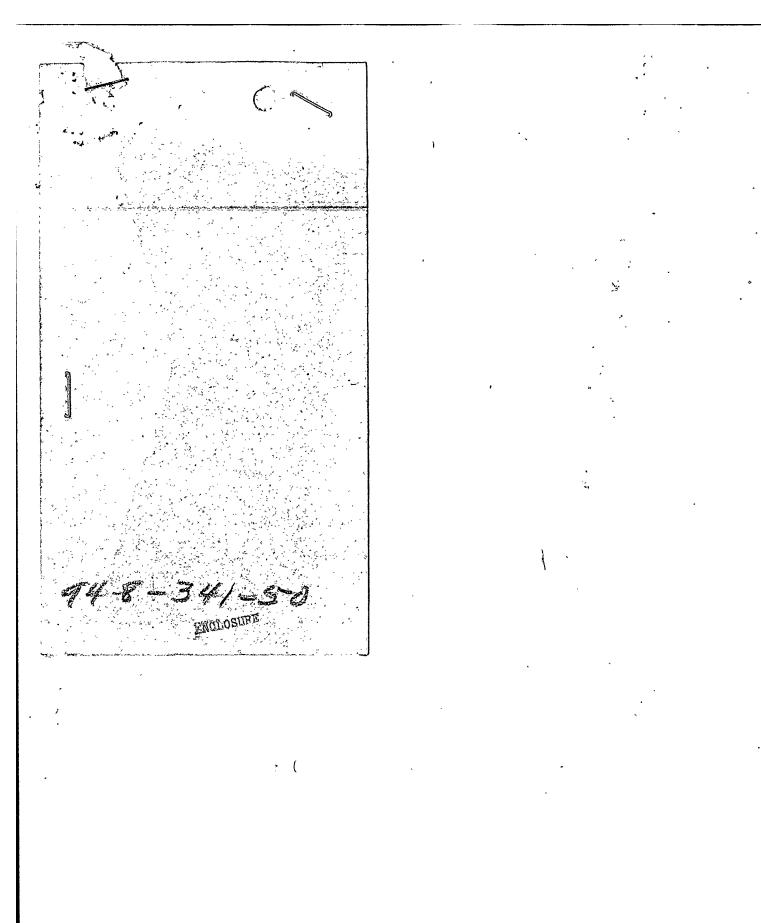
John Edgar Hoover Director



GLC:vj 94-8-341-50 RECORDED November 4, 1943 Saint Louis, Missouri b7C Dear Your letter of recent date, with enclosure is before me for acknowledgment. I have carefully noted the content of your communication and enclosure and wish to thank you for volunteering your comments and observations in this regard. In the event you obtain any information which you believe to be of interest to this Eureau, please feel free to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our Saint Louis-Field Division which is located at 423 United States Court House and Custom House Building, Saint Louis, Missouri. Sincerely yours, John Edgar Hoover Director COMMUNICTIONS SECTION MAILED 14 VON & FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Tolson Clegg Coffev Glavin Ladd Nichols Rosen -Acers Carson Harbo Hendon Starke Quinn Ta Nease Candy

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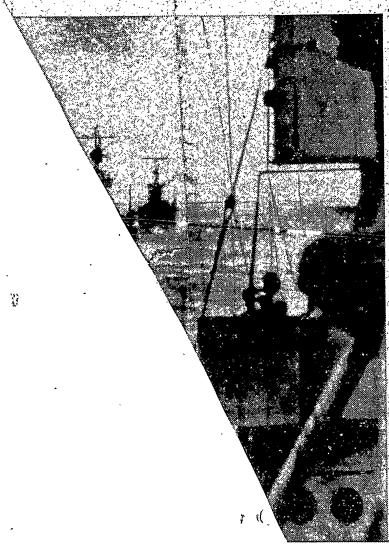


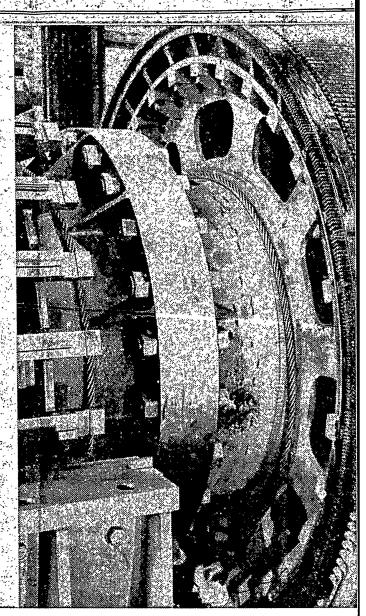
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War Back to Wake







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Case Records

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

ASE A-255: Wilton E. Hall, aged 42, is the publisher of both newspapers in Anderson, S. C. "We recently had a series of suicides, all in a short space of time," he told Mrs. Crane and me as we were visiting in his home. "In one case, for example, a young wife accidentally swallowed roach powder and died. Her husband brooded to the point where he purchased some of the identical roach powder and committed suicide, leaving a note for his marents that said he loved his wife so much he couldn't live without her. In another case, a husband died of a heart attack. His wife broaded for a few days and then attired herself in the identical clothing worn by her husband at the time of his gooth. Then she killed herself. Several more cases just like there occurred within the space of a fortnight in our community.

THERE IS A LAW in psychology to the exist that love draws people closer and closer together, even to the point where married couples may amost tule their permualities and have the same food appetite. An introvertie individual, without a host of external contacts or obligations, has much time to brood bout the loved one who has passed onward. Soon the desire to join the loved only becomes so strong that it may lead to behavior like that which Mr. Hall described. Auto-hypnosis takes place. The victim bagins to think about going to the dead mate. This thought repeats itself until the victim is fascipated or self-typnotized There is another law in psychology that we tend the act upon an idea unless an opposing thought intervenes. Living alone without children or other strong distracting objects these prooding people may become self-hyphotized with the idea of crossing the Great Divide.

THE DESIRE TO identify ourselves with our loved ones may even reach the state where we dress in the same apparel or cherish some souvenir, such as a lock of hair or handkerchief, and press it to our heart. Some people jump out of windows or over cliffs because of this same dominance of a single thought that begins going round and round in their minds until they act upon it. If dogs have been known to lie upon the graves of their departed masters until they were emaciated from hunger, you can see why the human wife or husband may become a victim of love's magnetism. Any shy, dreamer type of person who tends to brood alone, and who has few social connections, ought to be watched by the relatives

Economical Menus for Tomorrow

By Meta Given

ROOMS have always known that carrots put a lovely sheen on the coats of their horses. on the coats of their horses. Nutritionists talk about what carrots do for our eyes. Since carrots are so valuable and are usually so plentifur, meal planners are encouraged to find different ways of serving them. The gingered carrots of today's recipe are delightfully different.

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MENUS FOR TUESDAY.

Breakfast.

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Luncheon.

Scrambled eggs, six eggs, one-third cup milk, one-half teaspoon salt, and bacon, dash pepper, one pound bacon ends (two red points) use one-third pound bacon; sliced tomatoes, two large tomatoes, sliced; toast and butter, eight slices bread, butter or fortified margarine; apple sauce, two pounds tart apples, one-half cup sugar, one-fourth cup water, cinnamon and lemon juice (use one-

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Ur. Joseph Fulitzer Editor and Publisher O St. Louis Post-Bispatch St. Louis, Liesouri

Dear Mr. Pulitzen:

I did won't to express my thanks for your kindness in providing me with the several editorial pages from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch which you have forwarded during recent weeks. I do most appreciative of your thoughtfulness.

Tith best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours, all Water Trevail

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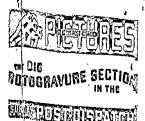
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For the Youngest Book Fanciers

"Everybody Has a House," by Mary McBurney Green; Plotures by Jeanne Bendick. (William R. Scott, Inc., New York.)

"Saturday Flight," by Ethel Wright; Pictures by Richard Rose. (William R. Scott, Inc., New York.)

These books for children between the ages of 2 and 4 are interesting to their clientele.

"Everybody Has a House" presents dog, cow, bird, squirrel, mouse, rabbit, pig, snail, boy and girl, and their respective abodes. Miss Bendick's drawing is fair, but there is some of it that a 2-year-old child is not going to swallow.

"Saturday Flight" tells how a boy and girl go to the airport and take a ride in a plane. Except for the trees—which one 2-year-old, at least, declines to be a party to—the objects are all identifiable, and the subject matter gives the child a good opportunity to become acquainted with field and stream, houses, trains, cars and other elements of the landscape, particularly as viewed from the air.

Best-Selling Books

As Compiled by the New York Herald Tribune.

NON-FICTION—"Good Night, Sweet Printe," by Gene Fowler, reported by 46 booksellers out of a total of 64; "The Curtain Rises," by Quentin Reynolds, 43; "Here Is Your War," by Ernle Pyle, 29; "Under Cover," by John Roy Carlson, 29; "Yankee from Olympus," by Catherino Drinker Bowen, 24; "D Day," by John Gunther, 18.

FIGTION—"Strange Fruit," by Lillian Smith, 53; "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn," by Betty Smith, 52; "The Robe," by Lloyd C. Douglas, 43; "The Razor's Edge," by W. Somerset Maugham, 34; "Bedford Village," by Hervey Allen, 31; "A Bell for Adano," by John Hersey, 27.

Soldiers as Farm Helpers

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

The fact that the nation's farmers may have to abandon part of their land due to the man-power shortage and late planting season should be a matter of grave concern to everyone.

If the farmers are unable to produce food, then how can we feed the people and armies, here and abroad?

There are many of us in the armed forces in camps all over the United States who may never go overseas into combat. Instead of letting us remain here in comparative comfort, why not call on the Army to help produce food?

Many thousands of men would be glad to help the farmers. In fact, they would feel as if they were contributing more to the war effort. It would ease the man-power burden considerably.

SGT. EDWARD L. ECK. Camp Swift, Tex.

Hospitality to Service Men To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

As a St. Louis service man recently returned from the West Coast, I want to comment on St. Louis hospitality. The USO at Kiel Auditorium does an excellent job, and the theaters are to be complimented on their policy of half-price admissions for members of the armed forces. May I suggest one thing more—that automobile drivers who have room make a practice of helping out service men and women who are waiting for transportation?

PFC. W. G. KLEIN.

There were some who thought upon the words of Pilate, who said in fear to the chief priests and Pharisees, against the rising of the deceiver: Ye have a watch.

For although this vision was far in space from the reign of Tiberius Caesar and far from the lands of Judea and Galilee, there were wicked men who had brought darkness across the waters, and who kept iron watch against deliverance in a place of strife and shadow and desolation.

There were some who believed not in the wondrous sign. They said: One year ago, to the middle of the month, a like thing was seen to the north of Copenhagen. Yet this was no cross, but the great rock called Gibraltar, and the bay thereof, and the growing green about it, and the structures of man upon it, and it vanished after three hours with the coming of the Nordic night.

And they said: In the air itself are the makings of visions, and the heat and the light of it, moisture and ice of it, bring to the sight such snares for the mind of man that he shall fall down and declare glory to a false truth.

And there were others who said: Did not such wondrous things take place in the land of Egypt? Was not the sea divided? Was there not a cloud by day to lead them, and by night a light of fire? Did not waters gush from the smitten rock, and was not manna and flesh rained from the heavens that man might eat angels' food? There was a bush that burned. There were tablets struck from the stone of Sinai. There was

why must we line up in close formal them? When was it ever possible to man feeling come and go with the application and lease of publicity? Is mother to become a Comunity Chest drive? If so, the job of remembring her should be delegated to a bureau whi would select a gift, an appropriate message go with it, and above all a time when such a servances were not being advertised to the fowinds.

Mother's day is a Frankenstein creation. memory of her mother, Anna Jarvis, its spinst founder, waged a campaign of letters urging of ers to "visit your mother, wear a flower in h honor, and display the American flag." Or seven years later, she was working even hard to stem the rising tide of commercialization. B ter years of heartache followed. In desperati she brought lawsuits, was arrested for disturbi the peace of a mothers' meeting, sought out a denounced the Postmaster General for issuing Mother's day stamp. And in November, 19 she voluntarily entered a sanitarium, money go: health broken, mind unhinged. If others deple commercialized holidays, it was given to An Jarvis to be lost in the widening gulf betwe her ideal and the organized movement.

An organized concentration of sentiment, be never so genuinely felt, cannot take the pla of unstudied feeling and thoughtful act.

The basic idea in political censorship on t war fronts seems to be that no news is go politics.

Be Bellico-Redaired arean with fifth, diseases of the heart, blood vessels, igs and gastro-intestinal system, togethwith arthritic and other joint and struccal conditions aggravated by war serv-

This, is, of course, only a partial list. In der of numbers of cases, the neuropsylatric ranks first with heart disease, eye nditions, tuberculosis and physical dermities.

Of 4700 cases recently discharged in hich psychoneurosis was again first, secid came ulcers. A great many cases of ese ulcers have been cured by changing man's job in the Army. Perhaps that ight be applied to industry.

b Placement by Doctors

A complete physical examination will asst employment experts in selecting the est type of work. It may be necessary to ransfer these men several times before the ight niche is found.

I recently heard of a man from one of he combat areas who was put to work in department where riveting was being one. The noise was too much like mahine guns. He could not take it. He was ransferred then to the office, but here the noise of the typewriters got him. He was

Perhaps this man was unemployable for the present. On the other hand, there might have been a quiet spot somewhere if they had cared to try again.

ment may have to be considered. Some may have to be assigned to light work

All ex-service men will have some problems of readjustment, whether they are disabled or not. Even those apparently perfectly normal will be under some strain in the transition from an active out-of-door life to a routine indoor task. They will become dissatisfied and restless, particularly those who have somewhat unstable temperaments. The disabled will lack confidence. They will be anxious about the future and uneasy about their relations with others. In this sort of situation, grievances and complaints can multiply.

Then there is the hero who has been promoted to fairly high rank. He, too, will have difficulty in returning to undistinguished civilian life.

All these men will require special consideration and a painstaking understanding on the part of those who deal with them.

ONLY TWO ARGUMENTS

From the Daily Oklanoman.

If Senator Truman of Missouri should be nominated for the vice-presidency, we shall hear two arguments repeated over and over throughout the campaign. His supporters will say that even if he was sent to the Senate by the Pendergast machine, he has made an exceptionally fine Senator. His opponents will say that even if he has made a fine Senator, he was sent to the Senate originally by Boss Pendergast,

have the motor or the landing war dead when you were headed at night for your rendezvous; to be so badly wounded with reduced hours or intermittent labor. . that the chaplain prayed and made motions over you, and you knew somehow that it was the last rites, and you didn't want to die, and decided that you wouldn't; to be forced into a trap at El Guettar, and to be so scared that you had to keep talking every minute or you would have screamed-and an officer can't allow himself to do that.

> All this the reader knows and can understand, but it is harder to understand Pvt. Irizzary, who got two medals in North Africa: the D. S. C. for shooting the enemy and the Purple Heart for having the enemy shoot him. He saw action for only 72 hours, and was on his way back home as quick as that. His account of those 72 hours of almost slapstick heroics is a story to tell and re-tell.

There are other stories, any one of which could have been enlarged to book length, but the expanded story would have lost the punch and poignancy of the brief account. HELEN CAIN.

Poplar Bluff, Mo.

A Home Study Book on English

The New Home Library's latest book on English designed for self-teaching is "Grammar, Rhetoric and Composition for Home Study," by Richard D. Mallery, instructor in English, New York University. It is a helpful guide and reference book for those who wish to master both written and spoken English. Besides rules, there are many practice exercises, also essays and short stories to help the reader in composition work.

It seems to me that Mr. Avery of Montgomery Ward has done more for the Working men of the United States than any other man in recent years. He has recognized the right of a free citizen of a free country to join or not to join a labor union, as he sees fit. He asserts the right of a free citizen to work without joining a labor union.

What contempt every laboring man and every citizen must have for an administration which has used the Army to take possession of a private plant in an effort to compel that plant to sign a contract which would require as a condition of their employment that the employes retain membership in a union. An administration which goes into court to assert power that, if it existed, would destroy the freedom of every citizen; and which then avoids a decision on the question presented by turning the plant back to its owners.

PAUL BAKEWELL JR.

Negro Soldiers in England To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

Recently an article from a British newspaper stated that prejudices are being infiltrated into the minds of the British populace against Negro soldiers stationed there.

This is a direct slap in the face of the Negro soldiers and a complete turnabout from the things we are fighting for. The Negro soldiers in the British Isles are not there as Negroes, but as American soldiers.

A man should be judged according to his merits, regardless of race, creed or color.

WILLIAM ASH.

and reservoirs which hold back the water in time of heavy rainfall and which release it when and where it is needed. It has been done by improved agricultural and forestry methods to hold water in the land. It has been done because this system—its planning, its building and its operation—is controlled by one regional, unhampered authority. It understands the valley. It does not have to run to Washington, or beg permission of half a dozen bureaus, to make vital decisions at the precise time they must be made.

Big Region, Big Plan

Under the Tennessee Valley Authority there has been no division of responsibility. There has been no conflict between the Reclamation Bureau and the Engineer Corps, between the people who are interested in power and those interested in flood control or navigation. This is because the Tennessee Valley, unlike the unfortunate Missouri, is one big region and one big river controlled by one big plan. Too many cooks do not stir the Tennessee River broth.

What the contrast and our own experience teach us is this: Never, short of a regional, autonomous, unified authority, can our valley be developed to the full measure of its resources. There must be an end to endless and futile struggle between one interest and another. We need unity, replacing civil war. There is be-

section, to the exclusion of those of Moni-Kansas, Nebraska and the Dakotas. All alo the valley, from the mountains at 13,000 feet the low plains of the river's mouth, men har given a similar loyalty to the interests of the sections.

Need for Unity

Yet is this not our common problem? Will all our interests be better served—be multipl—by working together toward a common so tion? In the past we have splintered our lan against each other's shields; blunted our swe to no purpose; divided ourselves into particamps in which the work of one was to nutthe work of the other.

There must be men up and down our va who have a vision that transcends the fir rivalries of the past. The editors from Monito St. Louis have it within their power to possel that the Missouri is one big rive: one big problem, to work with the leads their communities, and through them, with people themselves—the people whose destinistic shaped by the river as the Nile these thou of years has shaped the destinies of those share its valley.

We urge the editors of the Missouri V_{ℓ} lift up their eyes, to make stout their i. With unity we can conquer the one big that the one big river challenges us to so

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ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH To the Editors of the Missouri Valley.

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THE POST-DISPATCH PLATFORM

A know that my retirement will make no difference in its cardinal principles; that it will always fight. for progress and reform, never tolerate injustice or corruption, always. fight demagogues of all parties, never belong to any party, always oppose privileged classes and public plunderers, never lack sympathy with the poor, always remain devoted to the public welfare; never be satisfied with merely printing news; always be drastically independent; never be afraid to attack wrong, whether by predatory plutocracy or predatory poverty.

JOSEPH PULITZER April 10, 1907.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

One River—One Problem

The time has come to recognize that the Missouri River is one hig river presenting one big problem.

It is not one thing in Montana and Wyoming, another thing in the Dakotas and Iowa, a third thing in Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado, and a fourth in Missouri. It is not primarily an instrument to be used for irrigation, or for navigation, or for power, nor is it primarily an evil force to be controlled against its repeated and disastrous flooding. It is a synthesis of all of these. Where is the plan that will solve the one big problem of the one big river?

The Missouri Valley must find that plan. The place to begin is with the newspaper editors up and down the 2470 miles of the valley itself, In this editorial, we address them.

What Editors Are For

We address the editor of the Miles City Star of Montana, the editor of the Bismarck Tribune of North Dakota, the editoriof the Pierre Capital Journal of South Dakota: the editors of the Sloux fore us, in the Tennessee Valley, an object le that sectionalism can give way to unity to greater benefit of all.

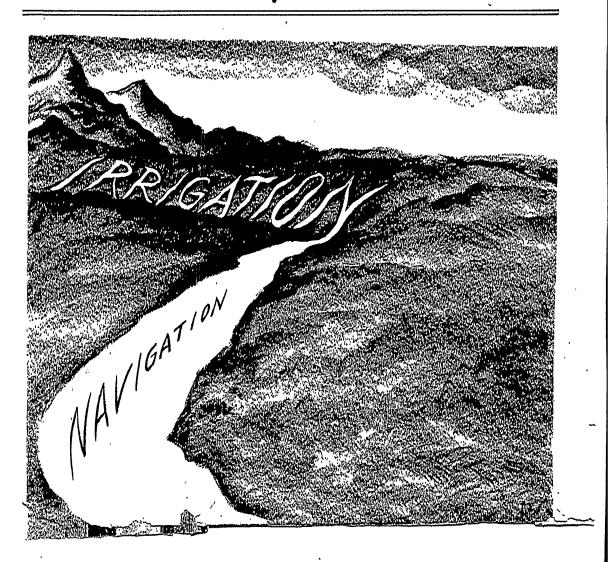
These are the essentials of the TVA idea

- 1. A Federal autonomous agency, with authority to make decisions within the region
- 2. Responsibility to deal with resources unified whole, clearly fixed in the regi agency, not divided among several central Federal agencies.
- 3. A policy, fixed by law, that the Fede regional agency work co-operatively with through local and state agencies.

Pick Plan's Shortcomings

Gov. Sharpe of South Dakota might as he did recently in the Christian Sci Monitor, Why talk of a new plan when we alre have a plan? He offers the Pick Plan as sovereign cure for all the ills of the river has merit. The trouble is that, first of all, less a plan than a statement of good intent It is a rough sketch of flood control an

F-DISPATCH for May 14, 1944



To the Editor state Post-Dispatch:

Because of our peculiar geographical position, Walter Lippmann, in his article of May 8, suggested two separate military establishments for our postwar military policy; the Navy for the Pacific Ocean, the War Department for the Atlantic; each to be treated separately.

A setup of this kind would fortify England's plans of her treaty of 1901, for the United States Navy to guard the Pacific and for the English Navy to protect the Atlantic; but I believe that for our own independence and self-preservation, our Navy must be a two-socean navy.

Mr. Lippmann also overlooked the dangerous effect such a policy would have on the national unity of the American people. The people living close to the Pacific seaboard would not care to serve in the War Department to help protect the Atlantic. Persons in our Atlantic seaboard states would not relish the idea of serving in the Navy; they would prefer to serve in the War Department to guard the Atlantic.

When an appropriations bill for the Navy was brought before Congress, the Atlantic seaboard states might vote against it. The Pacific Coast people might do the same on a bill for the Army.

isuch a policy would split the country, in two the East against the West. An outright division of our armed forces aduld cause a definite split in our national unity. We need only one armed plant and we should leave tactics and space trategic details of planning to mopuralitary specialists.

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Hannegan ridiculed Gov. Dewey ause of his "youth," notwithstanding bat he, Mr. Hannegan, is a younger than than Dewey. Mr. Hannegan at tempted to put across the idea that it is essential to be "old" in years to be able. I should like to illustrate that the history of the world is filled with accomplishments of "young men" who were youthful but great.

Alexander Hamilton was Secretary of the Treasury at the age of 32; Henry Clay was Speaker of the House at 34; City Journal, the Omaha World-Herald, the Emporia Gazette, the St. Joseph News Press. We address the editors of the Kansas City Star, the Jefferson City Post-Tribune, and all the other editors up and down the valley.

We address them because finding the plan is a job for all of us, working together; because time is precious if we are to master the river instead of permitting it longer to enslave us. The floods of this spring are the final and convincing proof that we have got to accept the river's challenge now

We address them because the plan that will rule the river is one that must be chosen and formulated through public education, understanding and popular acceptance. Through such a plan, all dwellers in the long valley can be made neighbors, pulling together in their common task. This is the creative function of journalism. This is what editors are for.

This Spring's Flood

What happened this spring? While lands thirsted in Montana, water that might have made them fertile spilled ruin over the lower valley. They had too little water; we had too much. Water that might have fed the soil, water that might have turned turbines, water that might have been saved to steady the channel for navigation—all this was wasted. In the wasting, a million acres of life-giving land were despoiled. Fine topsoil from Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri was stolen from the farms as the river uselessly pushed its golden burden toward the Gulf of Mexic.

In its wake were homelessness and paralysis and ruin. Whole villages were swallowed by dark water. Transportation stopped. Food production stopped. Unfattened livestock was evacuated to the cities to glut packing houses. The Federal Government had to start the machinery for relief loans to countless farmers whose lively hood, through no fault of their own, had been sacrificed to our neglect of the river.

What would the un-irrigated lands of Montana have given for the water—the same water—that has starved and destroyed so much of the lower valley? What would the river's navigators have given for a system which at once would prevent the hazards of flood navigation and at the same time keep their channels deep and free in all seasons?

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Either or both of these histories of the Soviet Army offer excellent background for an understanding of recent achievements in the Ukraine and Crimea.

Parry begins with the eighteenth century, when Russians first captured Berlin, then ruled over by none other than Frederick the Great of Prussia. Minz discusses the history, growth and organization of the Red Army from the founding of the Soviet Union.

Of the two volumes, that by Parry is far more readable, and has the greater historical value. Minz, corresponding member of the Academy of Sciences of the U.S. S. R., gives many signs of having a weather eye cocked toward Stalinist censorship and censure. He is wholly laudatory—which is wholly unnecessary, for a superb army like the Soviet Union's can take plants of critical states.

The Father of Waters and his offspring have been on the rampage again and the flood calamity stalked the valley once more. The waters rise, human lives are lost, towns and fields inundated.

And yet all this could be avoided, for these recurring floods can be mastered,

once and for all.

Col. Elliott, Division Engineer of the Upper Mississippi Valley Divison, has, I believe, the right solution. Speaking recently before a convention of the American Society of Civil Engineers in St. Louis, this veteran of many a flood suggested that it is not possible to control the river by peacemeal methods. He thought that success can be assured only by one over-all plan for the control of the entire Mississippi-Missouri River system, and that such a plan should be administered by a sole authority.

administered by a sole authority. Here is a task to fire the imagination, a great and noble postwar project reaching into some 30 of the 48 states.

Let us control the destructive waters. Let us irrigate with them millions of thirsty acres. Let us harness them to generate power. Let us make the lives of millions safe. Let us turn an everpresent menace into an everlasting blessing.

M. I.

Jobs for Men After the War

In his series on "Men and Jobs After the War," Charles G. Ross has stated his own opinion where occasion required, and has elucidated a multiplicity of contemporaneous observations in a manner deserving of acclaim. I suggest St. Louis declare its policy to be "Jobs for met her the war." H. F. B.

The Ward Case and John L. Lewis To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

Marquis Childs, in his article of May 4, seems to agree with the Government in its seizure of Montgomery Ward, expelling Sewell Avery. He states that taking over John L. Lewis' office would not have helped the war effort one single bit. How does he know?

John L. Lewis defied the President and the WLB in no uncertain terms. The coal operators, to my knowledge, were agreeable to that decision. Yet the Government took over hundreds of coal mines throughout the country, at great expense to the taxpayers, after vital war production plants were forced to close or reduce production. Wouldn't it have been more sensible to seize the United Mine Workers headquarters and issue orders from that one office than from the hundreds of coal mines?

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Now why didn't the President's authority, as outlined by Attorney General Biddle, in the Montgomery Ward-Sewell Avery case, apply to John L. Lewis and the United Mine Workers?

president of the University of Southern California and chancellor of the Institute of World Affairs and of the Los Angeles University of International Relations.

Our Asiatic exclusion discriminates against the people of Afghanistan, Burma, India, Indo-China, Japan, Korea, Malaya, Netherlands Indies, Philippines and Thailand. No proposal has been made, or is likely to be made, which would permit sizable—or indeed more than token—immigration from these countries. But blanket exclusion of races represents an undemocratic philosophy which is now dangerous as well, for it stands in the way of the international understandings on which we hope to build a peace. Have we ourselves the understanding to make this start?

Needed: An Explanation

By delaying action on a new contract for maintenance of the city's street lights, the Public Utilities Committee of the Board of Aldermen has put itself in a position calling for explanation.

An earlier three-year contract under which the city paid about \$16,500 a month expired last Dec. 12. More than three months later, the firm which had held that contract and which was continuing to perform the service under temporary 90-day extensions was sold for \$150,000. The firm's principal asset at that time was the city job, continuance of which was uncertain because a bill had been introduced to authorize the letting of a new contract by competitive bidding.

No good reason has been given in public statements by Chairman Gus A. Hartkopf as to why action on the new contract has been held up.

It cannot escape notice that failure to act on the bill for a new contract means the job remains in the hands of the present contractor. It is obvious that the contracting firm must retain the business for a considerable period, either under extension of the old contract or under a new contract in order to justify the new owners in their purchase of the business at the price they paid.

On the other hand, the city has the alternative of doing the maintenance job itself or letting a new contract.

Whatever is done, it should be done after the fullest publicity, which might very well include a hearing at which all pertinent facts would be presented. This is no time for shifty action by an aldermanic committee.

"Who Covereth the Heaven ..."

It shall be told in after times how there came a vision in the village of Ipswich in East Anglia

ones could create new governing bodies or an entirely new governmental plan, such county manager system.

Another provision permits counties to cerate in certain facilities. Smaller units of go together to buy and operate road-building chinery, to build and maintain a jail or a htal. This would eliminate a great deal of deation, and mean real economy for taxpayer

It is also planned to authorize mergers of jacent counties, by separate majority vote of county. Another provision would permit a county government to be dissolved by two-thirds then to permit part or all of the county to annexed to a neighbor.

These various possibilities should be suffi to achieve the major objectives of outright solidation, without the antagonisms which ef toward mergers would arouse.

Little Flower

The New York City Board of Estimaturned down a \$25,000 offer from Coty's Mayor LaGuardia's services on the radio. Fiorello, the Little Flower (on whom be and the silence of peace), he is not for renthe day or hour; for sale, or lease.

Though broad His Honorable expanses (f shall be as the people wills) the sign stands to the merest glances: "Post up no bills."

Available he for advertising no beauty or no horoscope. No cinema. No flour self-ri In short, no soap.

Gotham's blossom, of a surety, a flower then—in addition—some. An orchid for spler a lily—purity; a daisy—mum.

The Issue in the Poll Tax Voto

The impending vote in the Senate toda not on the poll tax issue but purely and si on whether or not the Senate should be all to express itself on the poll tax as a prerequto voting.

The vote will decide the fate of a petitispearheaded by Majority Leader Barkley of tucky and Senator Mead of New York—to debate to 96 hours. The petition's purpose break the filibuster which has been holding the Senate since last Thursday and to settlessue in the manner of freemen—by voting or

What is the opposition's objection to so sonable a proposition? Senator Bilbo of M sippi, one of the most unreasonable antago of the anti-poll tax bill, stated the only obje in his address to the Mississippi Legislature spring:

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War Disabilities and Jobs

The Mirror of Public Opinion Physical checkup before employment of veteran should help determine type of work to be done, specialist says; specific job should be changed if employe shows strain; disfigurements and deformities of all kinds will present a challenging problem to industry.

Dr. William A. Sawyer, Medical Director, Eastman Kodak Co., in a Panel Discussion of the National Association of Manufacturers

The majority of the men coming back from the services will return unimpaired physically. What are some of the physical disabilities which we must be prepared to meet?

First, disfigurements and deformities of all kinds. There will be the problem of individuals so disfigured they cannot return to their former jobs. For instance, a salesman with a part of his jaw shot away will be unable to make satisfactory contacts with the public What are some of the obstacles and difficulties in re-employing disabled veterans?

In the first place, there will be some so severely disfigured and disabled they cannot be taken in. Some cases will not adapt themselves to the routine of industry. Some will adapt poorly to noise, repetitive operations, production incentive methods, the length of the work day, swing shifts. In short, they do not belong in the factory.

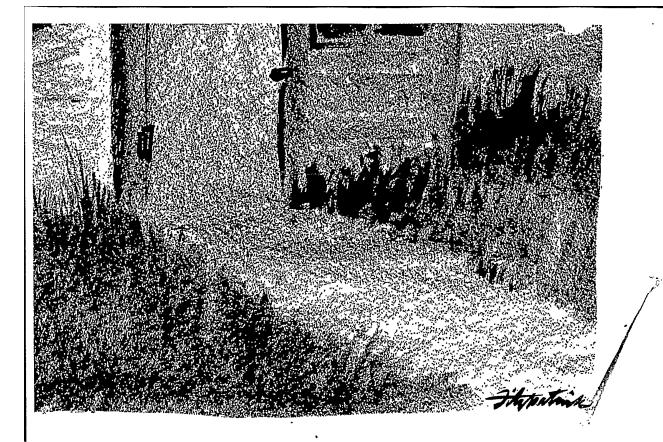
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Davis writes by way of preface: "In this book are the quiet voices of this new and somewhat awesome breed of fighting men, telling what they saw and felt as they met the shock of war." No two men reacted to the tragedy of war in the same way; no two had exactly the same experience.

ce Memorandum UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

FROM : L. B. NICHOLS

SUBJECT:

SAC Conroy advised me that AlXGoldstein of the St. Louis Post Dispatch desired information to write a 1,500 to 2,000 word article on Velvalee Dickenson, who pled guilty on July 28. Since she will not be sentenced until August 14, I told Conroy that he should tell Goldstein that we will not be able to furnish any information at this time.

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MR. TOLSO

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Er. Alvin Goldotein St. Louis Post-Sispatch 321 Fifth Avenue New York 17, Wew York

Dear Er. Coldstein:

Rick has called to my attention your article on Velvalee Lickinson in last Sunday's St. Louis Post-Dispatch. I think you did an excellent job, and I was glad that we could be of assistance to you.

With best wishes and kind regards,

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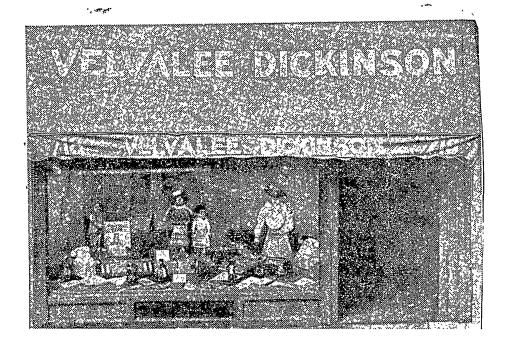
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Strange Case of The Talking Dolls

Maneuvered by Sinister Hands in the Pay of the Japs, They Spoke the Language of Treason Until the F. B. I. Tracked Down Their Clever Mistress and Sent Her to Prison for Ten Years.



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By Alvin H. Goldstein-

A Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.

THE 'well-dressed' Tapanese strolling up Madison avenue in New York hesitated before a store, seemingly fascinated by the attractive window display. Suddenly, with a quick glance to right and left, he darted through the door and made his way rapidly to the rear of the store. After a few whispered words, he handed a small, compact bundle to the proprietor and bowed deeply.

few whispered words, he handed a small, compact bundle to the proprietor and bowed deeply. "I may not be able to come again," he said. The proprietor replied that they might meet again, perhaps in Honolulu. "No. No!" the Japanese exclaimed. "Not Honolulu."

The scene of this undramatic episode was a doll and toy store, catering to discriminating and affluent customers; the characters were the proprietor, a well-born and cultured woman, distinguished among doll fanciers, and a Japanese naval pofficer engaged in espionage and bearing \$25,000 to buy black treachery; the time was Nov. 26, 1941. Eleveh days later Pearl Harbor was in flames.

From the records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation comes the ligarre account of the inquiry that will go down in the annals of espionage as "The Strange Case of the Talking Dolls"—dolls that were maneuvered by sinister hands to betray the military secrets of a wounded nation, puppets that obeyed treacherous commands to talk to the enemy. These dolls spoke the language of treason.

Special agents of the F. B. I. first became aware of the Japplanted serpent's nest when they received for inspection a letter bearing an address to Buenos Aires, Argentina. The letter had not been delivered in Buenos Aires and had been returned to the sender, noted on the back of the envelope as a woman in Portland, Ore. Scrutiny quickly disclosed the communication was intended as a secret message. Certain misspelling appeared purposeful; the context was garbled although it was devoted to an innocent discussion of dolls.

The letter, written Feb. 1, 1942, was carefully typed, It was signed with the name of the Fortland woman. The writer described a remarkable "doll hospital" where she had been able to leave "three old English dolls for repair." It

To the cipher experts in the counter pionage section of the real of Investigation, and entity harmless phrases assumed dangerous proportions. In constant communication with Naval Intelligence, they well knew that the "three English dolls" referred to warships tied up for repairs at a West Coast

port; that the shipping of oll parts was a warning that other craft were being repaired elsewhere; that "fishing nets" meant submarine nets protecting the harbor; and that "baloons" represented other coastal defense installations.

A phrase in the message asserting that the men at the doll hospital worked "day and night on orders" was interpreted, with little need for ingenuity, to mean that the shipyard was making progress in the emergency and also that it was fair game for bombers at any hour of the 24. F. B. I investigators promptly launched a nation-wide search for a dangerous and well-informed spy—a spy who played a hazardous game with

Investigation disclosed that the Portland woman whose name was signed to the letter was above suspicion, a conclusion confirmed when comparison of the signature and her proved handwriting was undertaken by F. B. I. experts. The doll letter signature was a clever forgery, so perfect that it led the Portland woman, when interviewed, to concede that it appeared to be her own. She, however, was a doll collector; and supplied the names of many people she knew who also indulged in the hobby. The grim game of hide-and-seek, involving lives and mational security, was under way in earnest.

THE identity of the Japanese identity of the Japanese ing secret when a Springfield (O.) woman received an envelope bearing, her name and return address. Like the other, it had been undelivered in Buenos Aires by the Argentina mail service. When she read the contents of the strange-envelope, she quickly visited the postmaster. He summoned the F. B. I. The Ohio woman, whose name was accurately forged to the missive, was puzzled at several correct references to her personal life, but of chief interest to the F. B. I. was the realization that the "talking dolls" were spilling true nevel secrets again.

true naval secrets again.

Dated March 1, 1942, this letter
was postmarked at New York

At the destroyer Sha as nearing the end of repairs of damages received at Pearl Harbor and was about to rejoin the fleet. It was thought that the other descriptive terms referred in more detail to the three warships mentioned in the previous letter, the words being part of a pre-determined code. A postscript stated that a trip to houisville had been canceled. Circumstances made it clear to the investigators that this information concerned the cruiser Louisville. At any rate, it is a matter of record that there were three important ships of war in port at San Francisco for repairs and reffing shortly before the date of this

ill, but would be back to work

With the Ohio clew, the day of identity of the manipulator of the "talking dolls" drew nearer. As had the Oregon woman whose mysterious letter first reached the F. B. I., she listed among her acquaintances interested in dolls, Mrs. Velvalee Dickinson, widely known as a doll collector and dealer, whose New York shop at 718 Madison avenue was famous among collectors throughout the United States. F. B. I. agents secured specimens of Mrs. Dickingson's typewritten correspondence, but it did not correspond with the two spy messages to Argentina both written on the same machine.

Painstaking inquiry disclosed, however, that she and her husband, Lee Taylor Dickinson; had been in reduced circumstances, due partly to his ill health; until late in 1941, when they began to show signs of prosperity? Mrs. Dickinson, nee Blucher, had been born in California in 1893 of American-born parents, attended high school and college there, holding an A. B. from Stanford University. An excellent business woman, she had handled accounts for a brokerage firm, where she specialized in Japanese customers.

Her husband had been employed by a produce association with many Japanese members. They, moved to New York in 1937 and later Mrs. Dickinson founded the doll business, becoming celebrated in the trade.

while this phase of the investigation continued, letters multiplied in the hands of the F. B. T. A note dated Jan. 27, 1942, undelivered at Buenos Alires, had been mailed at Seattle, Wash, but was returned according to direction on the envelope to a widow at



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The letter set forth that she had received a "German bisque doll dressed in a hula grass; skirt" that it had been broken and taken to Seattle for repairs but the damages would be mended by the first week in February. The significance of the message was frighteningly evident when the F. B. I. determined that one of the battleships dam-aged at Pearl Harbor actually was in Puget Sound Navy Yard for repair when this letter was mailed from Seattle. The "German doll in a hula grass skirt! was 'ttalking' about a damaged warship being fitted for new service. * * *

SECOND letter turned up in the hands of the Portland woman, who again quickly notified F. B. I. agents. Mailed at Portland, May 28, 1942, it told of a doll collection with one doll torn in the middle, but "it has been repaired and I like it very much."

It referred to a "lovely Slamese temple dancer," for which it was impossible to get a mate "so I am redressing just a small, plain, ordinary doll into a second Slam doll." The F. B. I. was in a position to learn that the "Siam doll" was an American vessel and that was an American vessel and that the part about a mate referred to the conversion of another type of warship to similar use. A vessel hit amidship was the doll "torn in the middle." There was a reference to French dolls. Some erence to French dolls. Some vessels of the French fleet were in American ports at the time.

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The last spy note to reach the
R. B. I. came from a woman at
Colorado Springs, Colo, whose
name was on the back of a letter
mailed to the Buenos Aires ad
dress from Oakland, Cal., June 3,
1942. This communication told of the purchase of "seven small Chinese dolls" which she would make to look as if they were "seven real" Chinese dolls," and that the family would consist of a father, ily would consist of a father, grandfather, grandmother, mother and three children. Just before this letter was written, seven war ships came into San Francisco. Bay for repairs and changes! The code identified them and described the alterations a mether still continue of the code. the alterations, a matter still a military secret.

By the time these messages were intercepted, the F. B. I. had were intercepted, the F. B. I. had closed in on Mrs. Dickinson. Although Mrs. Dickinson was unaware; that they knew she was the voice of the talking dolls, her every move had been traced and

and used the typewriter on which the first letter was writ-ten Jan. 27; they learned that among their friends were good American citizens who

discreet enough to confide their secrets.

Letter No: 2 was written on a typewriter they rented at a San Francisco hotel; soon the machine wed to write the other mischines used to write the other mis-sives were discovered and in each instance the Dickinsons had access to the typewriter. The F. B. I. investigators learned of financial difficulties experienced by the cial difficulties experienced by the Dickinsons until late in 1941, and found that shortly after Dickinson's death in 1943, Mrs. Dickinson offered \$15,000 for an interest in a Seattle hotel. For a considerable interval she had been paying obligations with \$100 Federal Reserve Bank notes. Some of these notes, inquiry developed, were in the hands of Japanese agents before Pearl Harbor.

When she was arrested last Janwhen she was arrested last Jan-uary as she was preparing to open her safe deposit box, a search dis-closed nearly \$16,000 in the vault, much of it traced to Japanese sources. At her home were comsources. At her home were com-plete outfits of Japanese clothing, collections of Japanese phonograph records, an address book with the names of Japanese residents, Japanese jewelry, silver and literature.

At first, the unattractive 50-yearold woman denied all knowledge of espionage. She fought, kicked and scratched her captors. The money, she said, had been con-cealed in her husband's bed and she had found it in a search after his death before his body was re-

moved. Early in the questioning she dehiarly in the questioning she de-nied knowing its source but later, between thades, she asserted that her husband was a spy for the Japanese. She insisted she had, not wittingly assisted in the nefar-ious scheme but admitted she wrote the baby doll code letters at his dictation. * *.*

S HE admitted having frequently met the Japanese haval officer at har deliberations. at her doll shop and recalled his payment of \$25,000 on the eve of Pearl Harbor for the despicable services she said were to be performed by her husband, who then was near death with a heart allment. But she stoutly denied in the face of contradictory evidence that she had manipulated her dolls to

betray her country to the enemy.

The end came when she appeared Aug. 14 before United

overnment could dis-close the facts without as ming the reffort. You sold out the Taps without thinking of the lives of American boys. I believe you have been given more consideration than you were entitled to and you are lucky to escape the death penalty."

Thus the book was closed on a dark incident of treason, and so ends the strange tale of the talk-ing dolls, the voice of their treach-erous mistress silenced until it said

do no harm?

January 9, 1945 ir. Joseph Rulitzer Additor and Publisher St. Louis Post-Dispatch: St. Louis, Missouri Dear Ur. Pulituers It was indeed fine of you to print the editorial Mobjective of the Mazi Spies" which appeared in the January 2, 1925, edition of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Your commendatory remarks are nest encouraging and I did want to write you a personal note and let you know how I falt in this regard. With best wishes and kind regards, Sincerely yours, al Gover. cc: St. Louis Mr. Tolson Mr. E. A. Tamm Mr. Clegg Mr. Glavin Mr. Michols Mr. Rosen Mr. Yohr Mr. Hendon Mr. Lumford Mr. Jones Mr. Quinn Tann

St. Louis Post Dispatch January 2, 1945

Editorial

Objective of the Nazi Spies

The FBI has done a fine piece of work in capturing the two Nazi spies landed on the Maine coast Nov. 29 by a submirine. While we're praising this exploit, and condemning the native American exposed as an enemy agent, we shouldn't overlook one point about the capture: the fact that these two spies hoped to gather valuable information by listening to conversations of service men and civilians.

It's still true that loose talk is dangerous.

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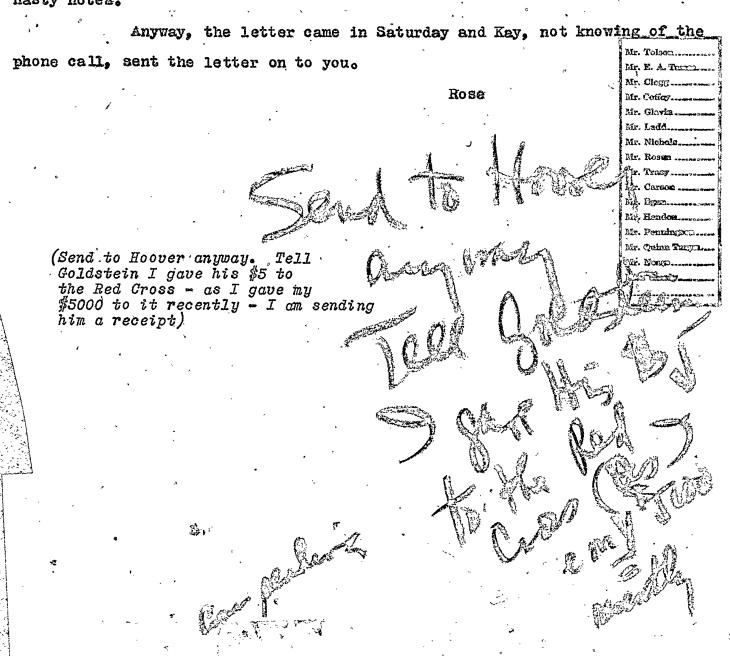
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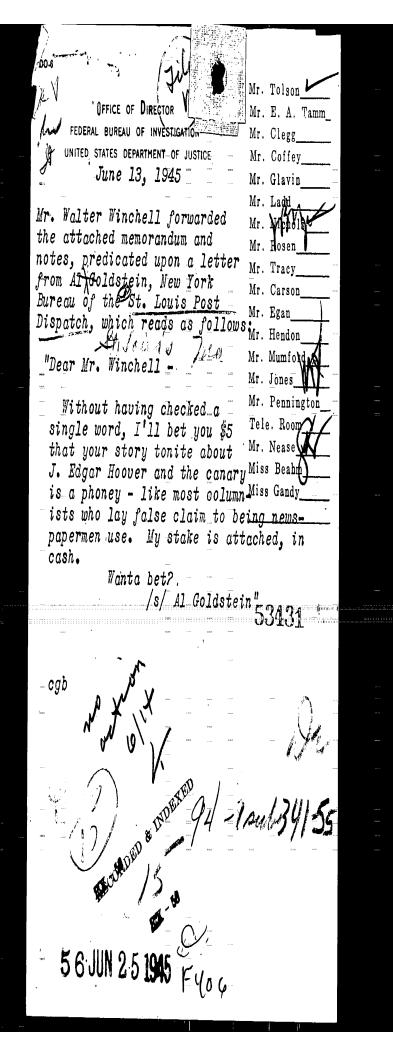
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anation.

Al Goldstein of the N.Y. Bureau of the St. Louis Post Dispatch is the guy who wrote the letter. He called me up last Friday saying in effect that he had sent you a letter the night before, which he regretted; had had a beer too many, was sorry, etc. Would I please tear up the letter and return the \$5. I told him the letter hadn't come in yet, but that I'd return the letter and keep the five bucks. He's the guy who once interviewed you for a story for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. I don't know anything about other nasty notes.





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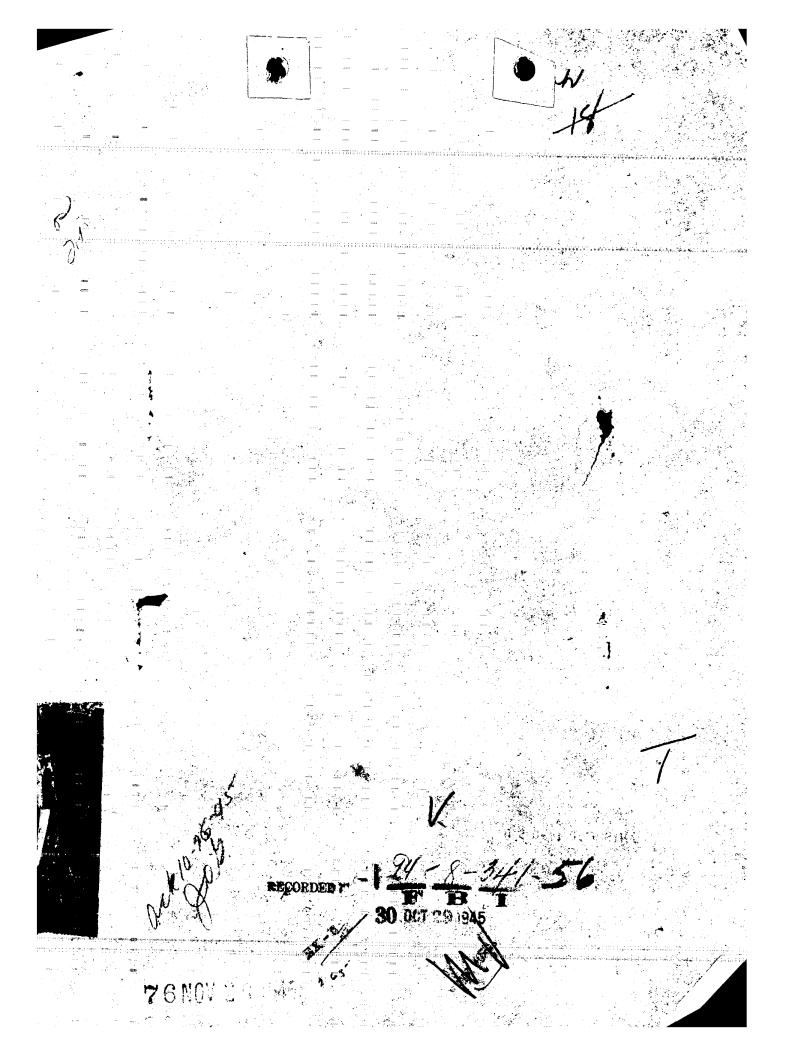
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From the Editor ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

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St. Louis, Missouri

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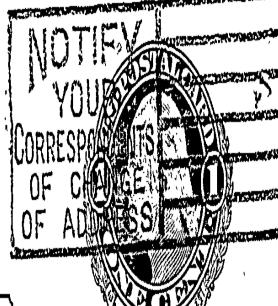
We wish to ascertain whether you wish to have it continued.

Remarks will be welcome.

Yours very truly,

ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH





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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover.

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ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

NEWS DEPARTMENT

November 26, 1945

Mr. L. B. Nichols, 31. 40413, MSSOUFF Assistant Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Nichols,

I am inclosing a carbon copy of the story on juvenile delinquency. If there are any changes that simply must be made, wonder if you would wire them to me, since we want to get this story into makeup for Sunday's paper.

You will note that all of the direct quotes contributed to Mr. Hoover have been taken from the memorandum which you gave me; that is with one exception, - Paragraph 2, Page 6. This paragraph I attributed to Mr. Hoover although the words are your own.

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November 28, 1945 Miss Virginia Irwin News Department St. Louis Post-Dispatch St. Louis, Missouri Dear Miss Irwin: Mr. Nichols has referred to my attention your letter of November 26, and I am returning herewith the copy of your article which you so kindly forwarded to us. You will note that a few minor changes have been made; otherwise I think your article is excellent. With best wishes and kind regards, Sincerely yours, J. Lidear Bouver Enclosur Air Mail ELECTIVE IL READING ROOF W. NJ 90 51 BZ 104 COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

NEWS DEPARTMENT

December 17, 1945

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I am inclosing a couple of clippings of the story I did on juvenile delinquency.

Thought you might like to see them.
Would you see that Mr. Nicolls gets a peek
at them, since he furnished me with so much
of the information?

Yours truly,

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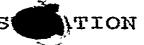
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Ilos Gandy.

December 28, 1945 St. Louis Post-Dispatch St. Louis, Missouri been received, enclosing two copies of your article entitled Teen-Age Crime is on the March. As you requested I will see that Mr. Nichols has an apportunity to person your world. Dear Miss Train: an opportunity to peruse your work. sure that it must have been received by the readers of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch very favorably indeed. It was a pleasure to cooperate and if the FBI can be of service in the future please do not hesitate to let us know. let us know. With best wishes and kind regards, Sincerely Yours, 3. Hagar Hoover Marie Care of the Control One copy of the article has been detached to be sent to

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ST. LOUIS, SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 2, 1945

Possum Trot Farm

Songbirds Arrive In Search for Food

By Leonard Hall

HIS morning at breakfast we sat and watched a downy woodpecker do acrobatics in the sah tree beside the window. Between visits to the peanut butter, he'd land on a small twig and do loop-the-loops! Cooler weather has brought



the song birds to the feeders in earnest and has caught us without all of our winter's feeding preparations made. So far we'd just been putting out scratch feed and a bit of peanut butter in one feeder. Now we must get out the suct feeders and the hanging log which is bored full of holes for chopped raisins and peanut butter. It is obvious that at least some of the birds are old-timers. since we find them searching for food in certain spots where feeders hung last year. This morning we saw a junco with an irregularly shaped white spot on its

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U.S. Will Face Its Most Lawless Era

Unless Prompt Action Is Taken to Combat Juvenile Delinquency, Says J. Edgar Hoover, Head of the F. B. I.

DIFFICULT "ENTRANCE RE-QUIREMENTS" FEATURED THE MEMBERSHIP OF ONE GANG OF BOYS AND GIRLS, ALL UNDER THE AGE OF 18.

Korean Race Track Keith Wheeler

A Special Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch

SEOUL, Kores, Dec. 1 ORP. DONALD AGRELLA who as a Chicago reporter used to make occasional neighborly contributions to the support of a man named Sam who kept a book around the corner, is authority for the following data on the Korean horse-racing situation.

The horse park is an extremely rough half-mile sod oval just outside the city's medieval east gate. There is a grand stand of sorts which Don says somewhat resembles Churchill Downs.

Throughout most of the autumn there have been races three times a week, but today a slant-eyed man in a loud checked suit kept yelling something which sounded like "no" and so maybe the fall meeting is finished.

Anyhow there were no horses around and, only a few loafers drowzed in the sun on the grandstand's concrete tiers.

When he visited the track last on a Saturday three weeks ago, Don said the place was filled



year. This morning we saw a junco with an irregularly shaped white spot (on its throat and are certain it's

one which spent last winter with us. Now we're wondering about "Dorothy the Downy," a plucky little female woodpecker, with only one foot which practically lived at the feeder last winter.

We counted seven species at one time this morning which, while it is not at all unusual, is the most we've had at any one time this fall at Possum Trot Farm. There were a half-dozen tufted titmice, several chickadees, the male downy woodpecker, a dozen juncoes, two pairs of cardinals and the red-bellied woodpecker with his neat salt and pepper suit and orange-red cap. Last year it took weeks to get him up to the feeding trays close to the house, but this season he's made himself right at home from the very beginning.

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Down in the black-haw tree, the mocking bird sat disconsolately, looking as though he wished he'd gone south with the first cold day. He isn't at all the cheery fellow that we've known all summer, but we'll do our best by putting our apples and raisins for him. As we sat over our second cup of coffee, a Cooper's hawk came salling over, quite low, as though he'd been attracted by the unusual activity of so many small birds around our windows. The song birds paid no attention to him, but down in the chicken yard the hens ran for cover.

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- DESPITE THE CHORES which Mama had lined up for me to do and the fact that our valley is almost totally devoid of quail this season due to the June floods, Randy and I braved the gusty winds to make a two-hour round of the fields on Thanksgiving day. We went up over the hill and through Herb's orchard where the boys have set box traps for rabbits, then down through the woods into the next valley and up along the river. Some of the fields here were in corn and some had lain fallow and it's as likely looking territory as you'd want to see. Randy hunted as hard and merrily as if there had been plenty of game and I hiked along at a fast rate, smoking my pipe to keep my nose from freezing. We made a wide swing up the river and then back up our creek valley where there is wonderful feed and cover. Now and then I kicked a rabbit out of his bed and there were plenty of juncoes and field sparrows which had a difficult time holding their course against the high wind. But no quail. I've wondered, sometimes, whether it isn't hard on a bird dog's morale to spend several hours afield where there are no birds, but such does not seem to be the case.
- WE WERE SOMEWHAT WORRIED when we brought Randy home from Alvin's, over on the Illinois prairie, that the big fellow might go too wide for the rough, hilly country where we do most of our hunting. To our delight, he just naturally "hungs to the gun," swinging well out when he hits a big open field and then moving in close when the cover is heavy. We came in, at last, and I made the season's first hot toddy before settling down to get the chores done. There was wood to be brought down for the fireplace, a new glass-topped bird feeder to be set up in front of the big window and even the matter of lending a hand at stuffing the turkey which was soon turning a beautiful golden brown in the oven. Our guests caught us, in fact, while these chores were still under way but we didn't mind, for they were mostly family.

There were things to be thankful for—and things to be sad about—and we wondered what young Fred was having for dinner, somewhere out in the China Sea. We sat beside the fire and Tom and I argued the chances of the human race doing away with national sovereignty and forming a world state wherein men could live at peace—and doing this before the race had destroyed itself. The chances, as we sat there talking, did not seem too good!

A Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 1.

THE immortal Younger Generation that inspired F. Scott Fitzgerald's "This Side of Paradise" and animated the pen of John Held is about to be outdone. After almost a quarter of a century, a younger generation that promises to be wilder and woolier is bidding for the laurels of its predecessor of the roaring, racketeering twenties.

The Younger Generation of the Prohibition Era was tarred in the sermons and feathered in the public prints of the time as amoral hoodlums. They drank bathtub gin; they neeked in rumble seats; they swore and left their overshoes unbuckled; they shingled their hair and wore skirts above their kinesa; they dancad, successively, the shimmy, the toddle and the Black Bottom; they wore boylish form brassieres and left off their corsets; they smoked too much and lulled their brains to sleep to the delirious saxophony of muted trombones.

Now a younger generation has appeared upon the scene that promises to make these gin-drinking, corsetless neckers, look, in comparison, like prize-winning pupils at a Sunday School faffy pull. Off to a fast start, this younger generation already has Federal Bureau Investigation Director J. Edgar Hoover handing out warnings about juvenile delinquency and United States Attorney General Tom C. Clark sounding an alarm about the great upsurge in teen-age criminality and proposing a new system for handling juvenile law violators.

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"A comparison of the arrest records for 1944 with the last peacetime year of 1941 shows that arrests for boys under 18 years of age increased 18.8 per cent, while arrests for girls in the same age bracket jumped 117.8 per cent," Hoover explains.

"If these youngsters continue along the path of degradation as they reach maturity, it is not difficult to imagine the colossal task which will confront society and the police. It is unfortunate that the crimes for which these youngsters are arrested do not fall into the class of mischievousness. Last years, 40.1 per cent of all persons arrested for robbery, burglary, larceny, auto theft, embezzlement, fraud, forgery, counterfeiting, receiving stolen property and arson were under 21 years of age."

Hoover, U.S. Atty. Gen. Clark, and Federal agencies with responsibility in the field of juvenile delinquency, gasped their loudest when they got down to examining the figures on teen-age girls. They compared the 1944 figures with the year 1939 and found a 174 per cent increase in arrests for drunkenness and driving while intoxicated and the astounding in-



J. EDGAR HOOVER ... HE BLAMES THE PARENTS OF AMER-ICA FOR THE RISE IN JUYENILE DELINQUENCY.

crease of 357 per cent in arrests of girls under eighteen for prostitution and sex offenses.

Hoover realizes that these figures do not make pleasant reading, but he points out that unless something is done at once to combat juvenile delinquency, the United States is going to face its biggest crime wave in history. From the teen-age girls arrested for drunkenness and vagrancy will come the future gun molls; the newer models of cigar-smoking Bonnie Parker, running mate, of Clyde Barrow, and of the Lady in Red, outlaw doll of the mad John Dillinger.

A ND from the lads under 18 arrested for rape and robbery, larceny and auto theft will come the future Dutch Schultzes, Alvin Karpises and Al Capones.

"The big gangsters of the period after the last war were not war veterans," Hoover said. "And the gangsters of the next generation will be drawn from our own present day juvenile delinquents rather than from the returning war veterans. It happened that way once before when John Dillinger, Alvin Karpis, Fred and Arthur Barker, Pretty Boy Floyd and a score of other hoodlums of the late twenties and early thirties, all too young to serve during the first World War, grew into maturity and caused a crime wave, the like of which was never pre-

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How Attorney General's Juveniles Who Violate

ATHER of two teen-agers, U. S. Attorney General Tom C. Clark is greatly disturbed over figures on juvenile delin-



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quency contained in the semi - annual bulletin of Uniform Crime Reports, compiled by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Shortly aft-

er assuming office on June 30, Clark read this bulletin on the grow-

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Every day reports come to my desk telling the sad story of mis-guided youths who have run athwart the law," Hoover said. Che case involved two boys, aged 14 and 16, respectively, and a 14-year-old girl. It seems the boys, who lived in a large Eastern city, stole an automobile and drove it into the next that into the next state where they abandoned it the following day.

They immediately stole another car and returned to their home.

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gri companion. the following day they again drove to another state, where the second automobile was abandoned. One day later the boys stole another automobile and again met their young; girl friend whom, they took for another ride.

"The trio was found sleeping in police department early in the morning. Upon questioning, the 16-year-old lad readily admitted the theft of approximately 16 automobiles. He said he was uncertain of the exact number, but knew that those he had stolen had been taken within two months. He had been accom-panied in most of these crimes by his 14-year-old boy friend and their Both boys were sentenced to serve indeterminate terms, the older one at a state correctional institution and the younger in a state training school. The girl state training school. The girl was placed on indefinite probation in the custody of relatives."

In the files of the F.B.I. are plenty of records to prove that there are many juvenile delinquents growing up with the

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1. Establishment within the Department of Justice of an entirely independent bureau to dial exclusively with juveniles violating federal laws.

2. Recommendation to all United States attorneys to class bringing to trial and steking conviction of juvenile offenders of federal laws, excent in extraordinary instances.

8. Construction of at least two federally operated schools, staffed by psychiatrists, teach-ers and other employes imbued with the sole idea of rehabilita-tion of juvenile first offenders whose crime has been too serious to merit parole on the first offense.

4. Founding of a voluntary silvisory board, to co-operate with the Justice Department's new bureau dealing with supervision of juvenile violators.

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JUVENILE DELIN' QUENTS, NOT THE RETURNING WAR VETERANS, WILL BE TO-MORROW'S GANGSTERS.

left, however, the boy fired a shot from the weapon he carried.

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He said he chose the only beast that looked as though he might make it to the barrier out of the saddest lot of platers and plow horses he has ever seen.

He played the plug, on the nose because he discovered, upon fighting his way through the mob around the ticket windows, that that is the only way you can bet

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DESPITE THE CHORES which Mama had lined up for me to do and the fact that our valley is almost totally devoid of quail this season due to the June floods, Randy and I braved the gusty winds to make a two-hour round of the fields on Thanksgiving day. We went up over the hill and through Herb's orchard where the boys have set box traps for rabbits, then down through the woods into the next valley and up along the river. Some of the fields here were in corn and some had lain fallow and it's as likely looking territory as you'd want to see. Randy hunted as hard and merrily as if there had been plenty of game and I hiked along at a fast rate, smoking my pipe to keep my nose from freezing. We made a wide swing up the river and then back up our creek valley where there is wonderful feed and cover. Now and then I kicked a rabbit out of his bed and there were plenty of juncoes and field sparrows which had a difficult time holding their course against the high wind. But no quail. I've wondered, sometimes, whether it isn't hard on a bird dog's morale to spend several hours afield where there are no birds, but such does not seem to be the case.

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WE WERE SOMEWHAT WORRIED when we brought Randy home from Alvin's, over on the Illinois prairie, that the big fellow might go too wide for the rough, hilly country where we do most of our hunting. To our delight, he just naturally "hunt's to the gun," swinging well out when he hits a big open field and then moving in close when the cover is heavy. We came in, at last, and I made the season's first hot toddy before settling down to get the chores done. There was wood to be brought down for the fireplace, a new glass-topped bird feeder to be set up in front of the big window and even the matter of lending a hand at stuffing the turkey which was soon turning a beautiful golden brown in the oven. Our guests caught us, in fact, while these chores were still under way but we didn't mind, for they were mostly family.

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There were things to be thankful for—and things to be sad about—and we wondered what young Fred was having for dinner, somewhere out in the China Sea. We sat beside the fire and Tom and I argued the chances of the human race doing away with national sovereignty and forming a world state wherein men could live at peace—and doing this before the race had destroyed itself. The chances, as we sat there talking, did not seem too good!

ONE THING MAMA AND I DECIDED we had to be thankful for is George and Gerti, without whose help we'd never have gotten Possum Trot battened down for the winter. There's the matter of a new wing on the chicken house which George built. It gives the hens a perfectly sheltered yet bright and sunny scratching pen for winter days. Already the egg production has started to climb. Then we found that Randy and Chipper, working as a team, always managed to burrow their way out of the dog pen. George ended that by nailing saplings securely around the inside of the pen at the bottom and nailing the wire fast to these. The winter rye is planted in the garden and that young cedar tree has been moved from the road down to the edge of the woods and the jonquil bulbs which I brought home have been planted. And when we stay in town to make a speech, which is far too often, the livestock is fed and tucked safely in for the night. In fact, living in the country without neighbors like George and Gerti would be pretty hare to manage.

their hair and wore skirts above their kinesagethey danced, successively, the shimmy, the toddle and the Black Bottom; they wore boyish form brassieres and left off their corsets; they smoked too much and lulled their brains to sleep to the delirious saxophony of muted trombones.

Now a younger generation has appeared upon the scene that promises to make these gin-drinking, corsetless neckers, look, in comparison, like prize-winning pupils at a Sunday School 'affy puil. Off to a fast start, this younger generation already has Federal Bureau Investigation Director J. Edgar Hoover handing out warnings about juvenile delinquency and United States Attorney General Tom C. Clark sounding an alarm about the great upsurge in teen-age criminality and proposing a new system for handling juvenile law violators.

Analyzing an estimated 1,393,644 major crimes committeed during the year 1944, crime-expert Hoover recently was almost joited out of his swivel chair. The figures proved that a part of the youth of America is on its way to the dogs on a greased slide.

"A comparison of the arrest records for 1944 with the last peace-time year of 1941 shows that arrests for boys under 18 years of age increased 18.8 per cent, while arrests for girls in the same age bracket jumped 117.8 per cent," Hoover explains.

"If these youngsters continue along the path of degradation as they reach maturity, it is not difficult to imagine the colossal task which will confront society and the police. It is unfortunate that the crimes for which these youngsters are arrested do not fall into the class of mischievousness. Last years, 40.1 per cent of all persons arrested for robbery, burglary, larceny, auto theft, embezzlement, fraud, forgery, counterfeiting, receiving stolen property and arson were under 21 years of age."

Hoover, U.S. Atty. Gen. Clark, and Federal agencies with responsibility in the field of juvenile delinquency, gasped their loudest when they got down to examining the figures on teen-age girls. They compared the 1944 figures with the year 1939 and found a 174 per cent increase in arrests for drunkenness and driving while intoxicated and the astounding in-

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biggest crime wave la history. From the teen-age girls arrested for drunkenness and vagrancy will come the future gun molis; the newer models of cigar-smoking Bonnie Parker, running mate, of Clyde Barrow, and of the Lady in Red, outlaw doll of the mad John Dillinger.

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"The big gangsters of the period after the last war were not war veterans," Hoover said. "And the gangsters of the next generation will be drawn from our own present day juvenile delinquents rather than from the returning war veterans. It happened that way once before when John Dillinger, Alvin Karpis, Fred and Arthur Barker, Pretty Boy Floyd and a score of other hoodlums of the late twenties and early thirties, all too young to serve during the first World War, grew into maturity and caused a crime wave, the like of which was never pre-

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ATHER of two teen-agers, U. S. Attorney General Tom C. Clark is greatly disturbed over figures on juvenile delin-



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quency contained in the semi - annual bulletin of Uniform Crime Reports, compiled by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Shortly after assuming office on June 30, Clark read this bulletin on the grow-

ing wave of teen-age criminality and recently suggested the following program for handling juvenile federal law violators:

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Figures for the present year available at the F.B.I. here in Washington would seem to indicate that the Hoover-predicted crime wave, if not off to a good start, is at least festering in a good culture. The first nine months of this year showed a crime increase of 10.8 per cent over 1944 when law enforcement agencies faced a new and serious crime every 23 seconds. The semiannual bulletin of Uniform Crime Reports, compiled by the F.B.I., reveals that approximately 70 per cent of all adult criminals w juvenile delinquents; that 58,041 arrested and fingerpersons printed during the first six months of this year were under 21 years of age; that 18,188 of these were boys and girls in the 17-year age group and that the greatest in-

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"Unléss," says crime-expert Hoover, "we want a wave of murders, bank robberies, rape, arson, kipnappings and thefts, we'd better get busy."

It looks like the today's teenagers are about to make pikers out of their predecessors of that other postwar era. Today they're not out for being merely wild and wooly; they're out to substitute murder for mere hell-raising and vagrancy and prostitution for the comparative harmless necking that went on in the rumble seats of roadsters in the era of bathtub gin.

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MOST OF THE RACES were five furlongs, which Don considered good judgment, inasmuch as he thought most of the beasts couldn't have made it another foot.

Don's horse won and paid 87 yen, which he later discovered is about as long a price as you can get in a Korean race.

The payoff line moves slowly because the cashiers pay one ticket at a time from stacks of little platters, each one containing the exact winning price.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR.

George Mall of the St. Louis Post Dispatch Miss Gandy 1 called by reference from the Director's Office. He has a communication from his Managing Editor, Ben Reese, who referred to Walter Winchell's column recently wherein Winchell commented on the Director's 51st birthday and the powerful forces that are worrying him. Reese wanted to know two questions: first of all, whether the Director could make any comment on the Winchell statement, to which I replied there was no comment; and secondly, whether the Director would keep them in mind if he did issue a statement or the like. I told him we would be glad to do this.

Respectfully,

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The Attorney General

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WJohn Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Attached hereto is an article entitled How Attorney General Fould Handle Juveniles The Violate Federal Laws which appeared in the Everyday Magazine of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch on December 2, 1945.

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